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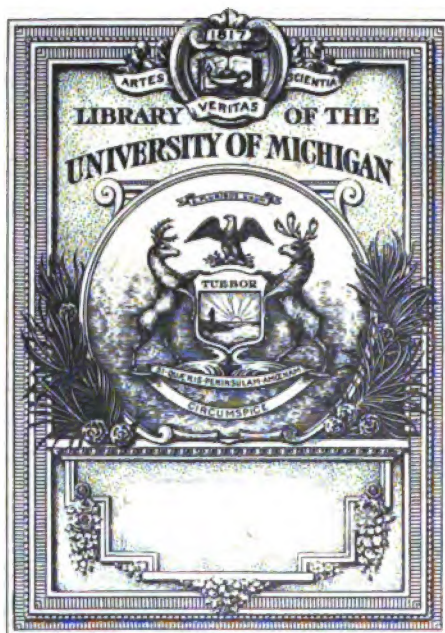
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EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FOUR.

On motion of Mr. Burnes, of Platte county,
Mr. Mothershead, of Gentry county, was called to the chair, and
On motion of Mr. Barrett, of St. Louis,
James H. Britton was appointed Clerk; *pro tem*.

The roll being called, the following members appeared, produced their
credentials, were qualified and took their seats.

From the county of Adair—Wm. H. Parcells;
“ *Andrew*—E. A. Donelan and William Burnet;
“ *Atchison*—Solomon Wyatt;
“ *Audrain*—John R. Crosswhite;
“ *Barry*—Henry McCarg;
“ *Benton*—Albert G. Blakey;
“ *Bollinger*—Reuben Smith;
“ *Boone*—James S. Rollins and Odon Guitar;
“ *Buchanan*—Wellington A. Cunningham and W. J.
Everet;
“ *Caldwell*—John S. Houghton;
“ *Callaway*—Charles H. Hardin;
“ *Camden*—James M. B. Dodson;
“ *Carroll*—Waller J. McMurry;
“ *Cass*—Hiram B. Standiford;
“ *Cedar*—Charles C. Bullock;
“ *Chariton*—Wm. Heryford;
“ *Clay*—A. W. Doniphan;
“ *Clinton*—John T. Hughes;
“ *Cooper*—Robert C. Harrison and W. C. Ewing;
“ *Crawford*—H. H. Webb;
“ *Dade*—James J. Tacker;
“ *Daviess*—John D. Williams;
“ *DeKalb*—J. N. Shambaugh;
“ *Dunklin*—Thomas J. Mott;
“ *Franklin*—E. B. Jeffress and G. B. Green;

- From the county of Gasconade*—James O. Sitton;
 “ *Greene*—L. J. Morrow and M. Boyd;
 “ *Gentry*—N. Mothersead;
 “ *Grundy*—E. P. Harding;
 “ *Harrison*—H. O. Nevill;
 “ *Henry*—J. W. Williams;
 “ *Hickory*—J. F. Powers;
 “ *Holt*—J. W. Kelly;
 “ *Howard*—S. E. Graves and Joseph Davis;
 “ *Jackson*—E. C. McCarty and J. W. Reid;
 “ *Jefferson*—James McColloch and James S. Brown;
 “ *Knox*—Medley Shelton;
 “ *Laclede*—Rufus Phillips;
 “ *Lafayette*—Stephen T. Neill and W. S. Field;
 “ *Lawrence*—F. R. McFall;
 “ *Lewis*—Martin E. Green;
 “ *Lincoln*—Jas. H. Britton and Marcus H. McFarland;
 “ *Linn*—John Botts;
 “ *Livingston*—George Monro;
 “ *Macon*—A. L. Gilstrap;
 “ *Madison*—George W. King;
 “ *Marion*—Joshua Gentry and Henry G. Feagan;
 “ *Mercer*—O. C. Roberts;
 “ *Miller*—Thomas W. Whitaker;
 “ *Mississippi*—Benjamin J. Moore;
 “ *Moniteau*—F. W. Hickox;
 “ *Monroe*—J. M. Bean and Samuel Drake;
 “ *Montgomery*—Sylvester M. Baker;
 “ *Morgan*—J. F. Bradford;
 “ *New Madrid*—William Moseley;
 “ *Newton*—M. H. Ritchey;
 “ *Nodaway*—Thomas N. Brown;
 “ *Osage*—Zach. Isbell;
 “ *Ozark*—G. C. McSpadden;
 “ *Perry*—John O. Layton;
 “ *Pettis*—George R. Smith;
 “ *Pike*—Edward O. Murray;
 “ *Platte*—D. D. Burnes, John Doniphan and George P. Dorris;
 “ *Putnam*—William Jackson;
 “ *Polk*—Robert E. Acock;
 “ *Pulaski*—V. B. Hill;
 “ *Ralls*—William Newland;
 “ *Randolph*—Dabney C. Garth;
 “ *Ray*—Lewis O. Bohannon;
 “ *Ripley*—Joseph S. White;
 “ *St. Charles*—Charles F. Fant and Josiah Pratt;
 “ *St. Clair*—William A. McClain;
 “ *St. Francois*—Corbin Alexander;
 “ *Ste. Genevieve*—Louis V. Bogy;

From the county of St. Louis—Samuel M. Breckinridge, Wm. Patnick, George W. Goode, R. A. Lewis, R. A. Yeats, Wm. Harris, Francis P. Blair, Jr., B. Gratz Brown, John H. Lightner, J. R. Barrett, Wm. C. Smith, and Benjamin Farrar;
 “ *Saline*—J. Locke Hardeman;
 “ *Schuyler*—John W. Minor;
 “ *Scotland*—Andrew G. Darby;
 “ *Scott*—William P. Darnes;
 “ *Shannon*—Joshua Chilton;
 “ *Shelby*—John McAfee;
 “ *Sullivan*—William R. Smith;
 “ *Taney*—Jesse Jennings;
 “ *Texas*—Cyrus H. Frost;
 “ *Warren*—George W. Dyer;
 “ *Wayne and Butler*—Benjamin Holmes;
 “ *Wright*—John F. McMahan.

B. McGee, from the county of McDonald, presented his credentials as a member elect to this House, and the question arising, whether said county was entitled to a Representative,

On motion of Mr. Frost, it was passed over for the present.

A quorum being present, the Chair announced that nominations for Speaker would be in order; whereupon,
 Mr. Williams, of Daviess, nominated Robert E. Acock.
 Mr. Davis, nominated William Newland.
 Mr. Kelly, nominated J. R. Barrett.
 When, on motion of Mr. Blair,
 The House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow.

TUESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 26TH.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The following named gentlemen came forward, produced their credentials as members of the House, were qualified and took their seats.

From the county of Washington—William E. Brady;
 “ *Cape Girardeau*—Andrew Clippard and Wm. H. McLaue;
 “ *Stoddard*—Richard Wall;
 “ *Dallas*—Lemuel Jones;
 “ *Jasper*—James Cravens;
 “ *Johnson*—Logan Clark;
 “ *Bates*—John E. Morgan.

The House then proceeded to ballot for Speaker, when there appeared,

For Mr. Acock—Messrs. Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everet, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Minor, Monro, Mothersead, Murray, Parcels, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—41.

For Mr. Newland—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Tucker, Williams, of H., Wyatt and Yeats—44.

For Mr. Barrett—Messrs. Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—32.

For Mr. King—Mr. Barrett.

For Mr. Smith, of Pettis—Mr. Newland.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes cast, the House proceeded to a second ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Acock—Messrs. Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everet, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Minor, Monro, Mothersead, Murray, Parcels, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—42.

For Mr. Newland—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Hughes, Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Smith, of P., Tucker, Williams, of H., Wyatt, and Yeats—43.

For Mr. Barrett—Messrs. Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Houghton, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lighner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. Louis, and Standiford—32.

For Mr. Bogy—Mr. Acock.

For Mr. King—Mr. Barrett.

For Mr. Smith, of Pettis—Mr. Newland.

Absent—Messrs. Blakey, Buford, Howell, Lewis, of C., Medley, and Todd.

Mr. Reid asked leave of absence for Mr. Blakey.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes cast, the House proceeded to a third ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Acock—Messrs. Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everet, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Minor, Monro, Mothersead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, and Williams, of Daviess—42.

For Mr. Newland—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Tucker, Williams, of H., Wyatt, and Yeats—44.

For Mr. Barrett—Messrs. Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Hubbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of Bollinger, Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—32.

For Mr. Burnes—Mr. Acock.

For Mr. King—Mr. Barrett.

For Mr. Smith, of Pettis—Mr. Newland.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Howell, Lewis, of C., Medley, and Todd.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes cast, the House was about to proceed to a fourth ballot, when

Mr. Blair withdrew the name of Mr. Barrett.

Whereupon, Mr. King, re-nominated Mr. Barrett.

Mr. Williams moved that the House adjourn,

Which motion was decided in the negative.

The House then proceeded to a fourth ballot, which resulted, as follows:

For Mr. Acock.—Messrs. Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everet, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Minor, Monroe, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of L., Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, and Williams, of D.—44.

For Mr. Newland.—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. Louis, Clippard, Clark, Cunningham, Davis, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Phillips, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Tucker, Williams, of H., Wyatt, and Yeats—60.

For Mr. Barrett.—Messrs. Donelan, Harris, Jackson, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., Morgan, Powers, and Standiford—14.

For Mr. Burnes—Mr. Acock.

For Mr. King—Mr. Barrett.

For Mr. Smith, of P.—Mr. Newland.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Howell, Lewis, of C., Medley, and Todd.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the House was about to proceed to a fifth ballot, when

Mr. Darby moved that the House adjourn,

Which motion was decided in the negative.

Isaac N. Lewis, of Clark county, appeared, produced his credentials, was qualified and took his seat.

The House then proceeded to a fifth ballot, which resulted as follows :

For Mr. Acock.—Messrs. Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Brown, of N., Britton, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everet, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McFarland, McSpadden, Minor, Monroe, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of Sullivan, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, and Williams, of D.—48.

For Mr. Newland.—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Burnet, Clip-

pard, Clark, Cunningham, Davis, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Ewing, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Harris, Houghton, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jones, Kelly, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Phillips, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Tucker, Williams, of H., Wyatt, and Yeats—64.

For Mr. Barrett—Messrs. Donelan, Jackson, Jennings, King, Layton, McAfee, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., Morgan, Powers, and Standiford—12.

For Mr. Burnes—Mr. Acock.

For Mr. King—Mr. Barrett.

For Mr. Smith, of P.—Mr. Newland.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Howell, Medley, and Todd.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

Mr. Newland having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Speaker of the House of Representatives, for the regular session of the eighteenth General Assembly.

On motion of Mr. Rollins,

A Committee, consisting of Messrs. Rollins, Burnes, and Goode, were appointed by the Chair, to inform Mr. Newland of his election, and conduct him to the Chair.

The oath of office being then administered by the Hon. Judge Miller, Mr. Newland, the Speaker elect, entered upon the discharge of his official duties.

On motion of Mr. Kelly,

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Kelly,

Resolved, That the House will now proceed to the election of Speaker *pro tem.*, Chief Clerk, Door-keeper, Assistant Clerk, Enrolling Clerk, Engrossing Clerk, and Sergeant-at-Arms, in the order herein named.

The Speaker then announced that nominations for Speaker *pro tem.* were in order,

Mr. Motherhead nominated D. D. Burnes.

Mr. Blair nominated John W. Kelly.

Granville C. Medley, member elect from Cole county, appeared, produced his credentials, was qualified, and took his seat.

The House then proceeded to ballot for Speaker *pro tem.*, when there appeared,

For Mr. Burnes—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darby, Darnes, Dedson, Doniphan, of Clay, Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Dyer, Everet, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Harding, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Houghton, Hughes, Kelly, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monro, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Nevill, Parcels, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, and Williams, of D.—56.

For Mr. Kelly—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Clark, Davis, Donelan, Drake, Ewing, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of P., Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Tucker, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats, and Mr. Speaker—64.

For Mr. Doniphan of C.—Mr. Burnes.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Burnet, Howell and Todd.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

Mr. Kelly having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Speaker *pro tem.*, for the regular session of the eighteenth General Assembly, and the oath of office was administered by the Speaker.

The Chair then announced that nominations for Chief Clerk were then in order,

Mr. Morrow nominated Samuel A. Lowe, of Pettis county.

Mr. Britton nominated George W. Huston, of Lincoln county.

The roll being called there appeared,

For Mr. Lowe—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blair, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of St. L., Burnet, Clark, Cunningham, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Ewing, Farrar, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, McMurtry, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Tucker, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats, and Mr. Speaker—65.

For Mr. Huston—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Bogy, Britton,

Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everet, Fant, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, McAfee, McCarty, McFarland, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monro, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Nevill, Parcels, Patrick, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, and Williams, of D.—56.

For Mr. Minor—Mr. Harding.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Drake, Howell, and Todd.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

Mr. Lowe having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected Chief Clerk, for the regular session of the eighteenth General Assembly, and the oath of office being administered by the Speaker, he entered upon the discharge of his official duties.

Nominations for Assistant Clerk, were then announced in order,

Mr. McCarty nominated B. F. Wallace, of Jackson county.

The roll being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Wallace—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Clark, Cravens, Cunningham, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Everet, Ewing, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Houghton, Hughes, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis of St. L., Lightner, McAfee, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, McFarland, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monroe, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Mothershead, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Parcels, Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. Louis, Standiford, Tucker, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of Daviess, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—120.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Crosswhite, Gilstrap, Harris, Howell, and Todd.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

Mr. Wallace having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Assistant Clerk for the regular session of the eighteenth General Assembly, was qualified and entered upon the duty of his office.

Nominations for Enrolling Clerk being then in order,

Mr. Smith, of S., nominated Stephen G. Watkins

Mr. Dorris, nominated Christy Watson.

Mr. Bogy, nominated B. F. Jeffries,

The roll being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Watkins—Messrs. Bean, Blair, Botts, Bradford, Britton, Brown, of N., Chilton, Clark, Crosswhite, Cunningham, Davis, Donegan, Doniphan, of P., Dyer, Everet, Ewing, Farrar, Field, Frost, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Harding, Hardeman, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes Houghton, Hughes, Isbell, Jackson, Jennings, Jones, King, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McAfee, McCarty, McFall, McFarland, McMahan, Minor, Moore, Mott, Mothersead, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Phillips, Reid, Roberts, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Standiford, Tucker, Webb, Whitaker, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., Wyatt and Mr. Speaker—67.

For Mr. Watson—Messrs. Breckinridge, Darby, Darnes, Fant, Feagan, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Hardin, Layton, Lewis, of St. L., McMurtry, Medley, Moore, Murray and Pratt—17.

For Mr. Jeffries—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Baker, Barrett, Bogy, Bohannon, Boyd, Brady, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Clippard, Cravens, Dodson, Drake, Dorris, Garth, Green, of F., Harris, Jeffress, Kelly, McCary, McLane of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McSpadden, Morgan, Morrow, Mosely, Parcels, Ritchey, Sitton, Wall, White and Yeats—37

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Doniphan, of C., Howell, Powers, and Todd.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

Mr. Watkins having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Enrolling Clerk of the House, for the regular session of the eighteenth General Assembly, was qualified, and entered upon the discharge of his official duties.

Nominations for Engrossing Clerk being then in order,

Mr. Bradford, nominated W. C. Sevier.

Mr. Breckinridge, nominated S. C. Collier.

Mr. Webb, nominated Lisle Singleton.

Mr. Blair, nominated W. B. King.

Mr. Mothersead, nominated J. B. McHenry.

The roll being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Sevier—Messrs. Acock, Botts, Boyd, Bradford, Britton, Brown, of N., Burnet, Bullock, Burnes, Crosswhite, Dodson, Doniphan, of P., Feagan, Field, Gentry, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Harrison, Harris, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Jackson, Layton, McCary, McCarty, McClain, of St. C., McFarland, McSpadden, Minor, Monroe, Morgan, Morrow, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Parcels, Powers, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Smith, of S., Standiford, Tucker, Whitaker, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., Wyatt and Mr. Speaker—50.

For Mr. Collier—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Bean, Bogy, Breckinridge,

Brown, of J., Clippard, Cravens, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of C., Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Ewing, Garth, Hardeman, Hardin, Holmes, Houghton, Hughes, King, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Moseley, Patrick, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., White and Yeats—37.

For Mr. Singleton—Messrs. Chilton, Frost, Isbell, Phillips, Sitton and Webb—6.

For Mr. King—Messrs. Blair, Bohannon, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Guitar, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Lightner, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, Mott, Pratt, and Smith, of St. L.—19.

For Mr. McHenry—Messrs. Barrett, Brady, Everet, Goode, Harding, Medley, Mothersead and Shambaugh—8.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Darby, Howell, Kelly, McAfee, and Todd.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the House was about to proceed to a second ballot, when

Mr. Mothersead withdrew the name of Mr. McHenry.

Mr. Webb withdrew the name of Mr. Singleton.

The House then proceeded to a second ballot, which resulted as follows :

For Mr. Sevier—Messrs. Acock, Barrett, Botts, Boyd, Bradford, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Crosswhite, Dodson, Dorris, Field, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Harrison, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Jackson, Layton, McAfee, McCary, McClain, of St. C., McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Monro, Morgan, Morrow, Mothersead, Murray, Nevill, Parcells, Phillips, Powers, Raid, Ritchey, Smith, of S., Standiford, Whitaker, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., Wyatt and Mr. Speaker—47.

For Mr. Collier—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Bean, Bogy, Brady, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Chilton, Clippard, Cravens, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dyer, Everet, Ewing, Feagan, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Holmes, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Minor, Moore, Moseley, Mott, Neill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Tucker, Wall, Webb, White and Yeats—50.

For Mr. King—Messrs. Blair, Bohannon, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Lightner, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, Pratt, Sitton, and Smith, of St. L.—22.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Darby, Howell, and Todd.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes, given, the House was about to proceed to a third ballott, when

Mr. Blair withdrew the name of Mr. King.

The House then proceeded to a third ballot, which resulted as follows :

For Mr. Sevier—Messrs. Acock, Barrett, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Bradford, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Crosswhite, Dodson, Donelan, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harrison, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, McAfee, McCary, McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Monro, Morgan, Morrow, Murray, Nevill, Parcels, Phillips, Powers, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Standiford, Tucker, Whitaker Williams, of D., Wyatt, and Mr. Speaker—51.

For Mr. Collier—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Bean, Blair, Bogy, Breckinridge, Brown, of Jefferson, Brown, of St. Louis, Chilton, Clippard, Clark, Cravens, Cunningham, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorriss, Dyer, Everet, Ewing, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Holmes, Houghton, Hughes, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, Miner, Moore, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Wall, Webb, White, Williams, of H., and Yeats—72.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Howell, and Todd.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

Mr. Collier having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Engrossing Clerk of the House for the regular session of the eighteenth General Assembly, was qualified and entered upon the duties of his office.

Nominations for Door-keeper being then in order,

Mr. Garth nominated Richard B. Jackson.

Mr. Davis, nominated J. Kinnard.

The roll being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Jackson—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Dorriss, Dyer, Everet, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Harding, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Houghton, Jackson, Kelly, McAfee, McCary, McFarland, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monro, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Parcels, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of P., Smith, of S., Standiford, Tucker, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of D., and Mr. Speaker—67.

For Mr. Kinnard—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Cunningham, Davis,

Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape Girardeau, McClain, of St. C., McCulloch, McFall, McMartry, Morgan, Morrow, Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitten, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., Williams, of H., Wyatt, and Yeats—55.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Doniphan, of C., Howell, and Todd.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

Mr. Jackson having received a majority of all the votes, given, was declared duly elected Door-keeper of the House, for the regular session of the eighteenth General Assembly, was qualified and entered upon the discharge of the duties of his office.

Mr. Blair moved that the House adjourn until 10 o'clock, to-morrow.

Which motion was decided in the negative.

Nominations for Sergeant-at-Arms then being in order,

Mr. Mothersead nominated Mr. Dorris.

Mr. Monro nominated Lewis M. Clark.

Mr. Cunningham nominated S. J. Finch.

Mr. Garth nominated W. S. Fox.

Mr. Davis nominated J. Kinnard.

Mr. Williams, of H., nominated Mark Fristoe.

Mr. Hickox nominated J. W. Bennett.

Mr. Jones nominated William Scott.

Mr. Dyer nominated Joseph L. Fant.

The House was about to proceed to a first ballot, when

On motion of Mr. Smith, of P.,

The House adjourned until 10 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 27.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

Mr. Speaker: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate has organized, and is now ready to proceed to business, having elected William D. McCracken, Secretary; J. A. Holliday, Assistant Secretary; William Vanover, Door-keeper; M. V. Harrison, Sergeant-at-Arms; Hiram H. Baber, Engrossing Clerk, and Paris Pipkin, Enrolling Clerk.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Hon. Thomas H. Benton; whereupon,

On motion of Mr. Blair,

Resolved, That the present of books, sent by Col. Benton, be accepted, and that the thanks of the House be tendered to him therefor.

The Speaker announced that the election for Sergeant-at-Arms was then in order; whereupon, the House proceeded to ballot for the candidates nominated on yesterday; when there appeared,

For Mr. Dorris—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Bogy, Bradford, Burnet, Burnes, Cravens, Drake, Dorris, Everet, Farrar, Harris, Hardin, Kelly, Medley, Moseley, Mothersead, Ritchey and Yeats—19.

For Mr. Clark—Messrs. Botts, Graves, Harding, Heryford, Monro, Roberts, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., and Williams, of D.—9.

For Mr. Finch—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Bohannon, Boyd, Breckinridge, Cunningham, Darnes, Doniphan, of P., Ewing, Feagan, Gentry, Goode, Harris, Hardeman, Houghton, Hughes, Jeffress, Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McMurtry, Moore, Nevill, Patriok, Shelton, Tucker, and Wyatt—28.

For Mr. Fox—Messrs. Crosswhite, Darby, Garth, Gilstrap, Green, of L., Holmes, McAfee, Minor, and Parcels—9.

For Mr. Kinnard—Messrs. Davis, Donelan, Gaitar, Rollins, Sitton, and Smith, of St. Louis—6.

For Mr. Fristoe—Messrs. Acock, Bullock, Clark, McClain, of St. C., Powers, Smith, of P., and Williams, of H.—7.

For Mr. Bennett—Messrs. Hickox, and Hill—2.

For Mr. Scott—Messrs. Alexander, Brady, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Chilton, Clippard, Dodson, Frost, Green, of F., Isbell, Jackson, Jennings, Jones, King, McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McSpadden, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Phillips, Smith, of B., Standiford, Webb, Whitaker, White, and Mr. Speaker—30.

For Mr. Fant—Messrs. Britton, Dyer, Fant, Field, Layton, Lewis, of C., McLane, of Cape G., McFarland, Murray, and Reid—10.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Doniphan, of C., Howell, Todd and Wall.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

Sick—Mr. Pratt.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the House was about to proceed to a second ballot, when

Mr. Mothersead withdrew the name of Mr. Bennett.

Mr. Guitar withdrew the name of Mr. Kinnard.

The roll being called there appeared,

For Mr. Dorriess—Messrs. Barrett, Burnett, Drake, Dorriess, Everet, McCary, Mosely, Mothersead, Shambaugh, and Wall—10.

For Mr. Clark—Messrs. Botts, Graves, Green, of L., Harding, Monro, Rolerts, Smith, of S., and Williams, of D.—8.

For Mr. Finch—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of St. L., Burnes, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Ewing, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Hill, Houghton, Hughes, Jeffress, Kelly, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McClain, of St. C., McCulloch, McMurtry, Moore, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Tucker, Wyatt, Yeats, and Mr. Speaker—51.

For Mr. Fox—Messrs. Crosswhite, Darby, Gilstrap, Garth, McAfee, Minor, and Parcells—7.

For Mr. Fristoe—Messrs. Clark and Williams, of H.—2.

For Mr. Scott—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Bullock, Chilton, Cravens, Dodson, Frost, Green, of F., Isbell, Jackson, Jennings, Jones, King, McFall, McMahan, McSpadden, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Phillips, Powers, Ritchey, Smith, of B., Standiford, Webb, Whitaker, and White—81.

For Mr. Fant—Messrs. Britton, Dyer, Fant, Heryford, Holmes, Layton, Lewis, of C., McLane, of Cape G., McFarland, Medley, Murray, and Reid—12.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Doniphan, of C., Howell, and Todd.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

Sick—Mr. Pratt.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the House was about to proceed to a third ballot, when

Mr. McLane withdrew the name of Mr. Clark.

Mr. Garth withdrew the name of Mr. Fox.

Mr. Mothersead withdrew the name of Mr. Dorriess.

Mr. Williams, of H., withdrew the name of Mr. Fristoe.

The roll the being called there appeared,

For Mr. Finch—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of St. L., Barrett, Burnes, Clippard, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Hill, Houghton, Hughes, Jeffress, Kelly, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McClain, of St. C., McCulloch, McMurtry, Moore, Mosely, Mott, Nevill, Parcells, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith,

of P., Smith, of St. L., Tucker, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats, and Mr. Speaker—64.

For Mr. Scott—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Bullock, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorriss, Everet, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Heryford, Holmes, Isbell, Jackson, Jennings, Jones, King, McAfee, McFall, McFarland, McMahan, McSpadden, Minor, Monro, Morgan, Morrow, Mothersead, Murray, Phillips, Powers, Reid, Ritchey Shambaugh, Smith, of B., Smith, of S., Standiford, Webb, Whitaker, White, and Williams, of D.—51.

For Mr. Fant—Messrs. Britton, Dyer, Fant, Layton, and McLane, of Cape G.—5.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Doniphan, of C., Howell, and Todd.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

Sick—Mr. Pratt.

Mr. Finch having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Sergeant-at-Arms, for the regular session of the eighteenth General Assembly, was qualified and entered upon the discharge of his official duties.

On motion of Mr. Burnes,

Resolved, That the Senate be informed that the House of Representatives have organized by the election of

William Newland, Speaker;

John W. Kelly, Speaker *Pro tem.*;

Samuel A. Lowe, Chief Clerk;

Benjamin F. Wallace, Assistant Clerk;

Stephen G. Watkins, Enrolling Clerk;

S. C. Collier, Engrossing Clerk;

Richard B. Jackson, Door-keeper;

Samuel J. Finch, Sergeant-at-Arms.

On motion of Mr. Burnes,

Resolved, That a committee of two be appointed, on the part of the House, to join a committee appointed by the Senate, to inform the Governor that the two Houses of the General Assembly have organized, and are now ready to receive any communications he may think proper to make; whereupon

The Chair appointed Messrs. Burnes and Barrett, said committee.

On motion of Mr. Barrett,

Resolved, That Master George F. Roots be appointed to act as Messenger for the House of Representatives during the present General Assembly.

On motion of Mr. Jeffress,

Resolved, By the House of Representatives, that the Secretary of State be requested to furnish the House of Representatives with one hundred and thirty copies of Revised Statutes of 1845, and the same number of copies of each of the Session Acts since 1845, for the use of the mem-

bers of the House, and a like number of copies of the Journals of the Senate and House of the last General Assembly.

On motion of Mr. Holmes,

Resolved, By the House of Representatives that the Rules of the last session of the House of Representatives, shall be adopted as the Rules for the present session, until other Rules shall be adopted.

Mr. Burnes offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House do now proceed to the election of a Chaplain for the present session of the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Missouri.

Mr. Jones moved the rejection of the resolution;

Which motion was decided in the negative.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Barrett nominated Rev. Joseph Boyle.

Mr. Mothersead nominated Rev. J. A. Hollis.

The roll being called, there appeared;

For Mr. Boyle—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Bogy, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Drake, Dorris, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gilstrap, Goode, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hickox, Isbell, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Moore, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Neill, Phillips, Powers, Ritchey, Roberts, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Tucker, Whitaker, White, Wyatt, and Yeats—68.

For Mr. Hollis—Messrs. Bohannon, Botts, Brady, Bradford, Brown, of N., Clippard, Clark, Cunningham, Doniphan, of P., Everet, Ewing, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Graves, Guitar, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Holmes, Hughes, Jackson, Jeffress, Jones, McAfee, McClain, of St. C., McMurtry, Minor, Mothersead, Neill, Parcels, Patrick, Reid, Rollins, Shambaugh, Sitton, Smith, of P., Smith, of S., Wall, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., and Mr. Speaker—42.

Absent—Messrs. Britton, Buford, Doniphan, of C., Dyer, Hill, Houghton, Howell, Jennings, McFall, McFarland, Murray, Shelton, Todd and Webb.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

Sick—Mr. Pratt.

Mr. Boyle having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Chaplain of the House of Representatives for the regular session of the eighteenth General Assembly.

On motion of Mr. Burnet,

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to wait upon the Rev. Joseph Boyle, and inform him of his election.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Burnet, Smith, of P., and Mothersead, said Committee.

On motion of Mr. Bean,

Resolved, That the door-keeper be authorized and required to open an account with the post-master in Jefferson City during the present session of the General Assembly, for postage, which is required to be pre-paid on printed public documents, deposited by the members and officers of the House of Representatives in the mail, and the accounts of the door-keeper, for postage, shall be allowed by the Committee on Accounts, and paid out of the contingent fund.

On motion of Mr. Rollins,

Resolved, That the Public Printer be required to print two hundred copies of the rules of this House, for the use of the members thereof.

Mr. Mothersead offered the following resolution, which was,

On motion of Mr. McClain, of St. Clair, laid upon the table:

Resolved, That Burton McGee, member elect from McDonald county, be permitted to come forward, qualify, and take his seat.

On motion of Mr. McCarty,

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Acock,

The resolution offered by Mr. Mothersead and laid upon the table, was taken up, and

On motion of Mr. Moseley, was referred to a Select Committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Moseley, McClain, of St. Clair and Bogy.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Law Institute of the City of New York, which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Blair, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Moseley offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the door-keeper be authorized to subscribe for — papers and to supply each member with — daily papers, to be paid out of the contingent fund of the House.

Mr. McClain, of St. C., moved to amend by filling the blank with two Jefferson City papers.

Mr. Blair moved to amend by inserting the word ten in the blank, pending which,

Mr. Burnes from the Select Committee appointed to wait on the Governor, submitted the following report:

The Committee appointed to wait on the Governor to inform him that the two Houses had organized, and were ready to receive any communication from him, report that they have discharged the duties assigned them, and that the Governor will make a communication to both Houses immediately.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Governor, which was read:

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

*Gentlemen of the Senate
and of the House of Representatives:*

We have abundant reason to be grateful to Divine Providence, for the manifold blessings, showered upon us as a community, since the close of your last session. General prosperity has pervaded the State, and we have advanced rapidly in population and productive industry. Although, during the past season, an unprecedented drought has cut off large portions of our agricultural products, we have been more than compensated, by our general exemption from contagious and epidemic diseases.

From a statement furnished me by the Auditor of Public Accounts, I am gratified to be enabled to assure you, that the finances of our State are in a prosperous condition. A detailed statement of the condition of the Treasury, for the two last fiscal years, and its probable condition for the next two years, will be furnished you in the Auditor's report.

The amount of revenue received into the Treasury in 1853, is	\$378,792 60
Amount received in 1854, is.....	429,872 34

The total amount received for the two years ending 1st October, 1854, is.....	\$808,665 00
The amount expended in 1853, is.....	\$380,531 42
The amount expended in 1854, is.....	247,952 32

The total amount expended for the two years ending 1st October, 1854, is.....	\$628,483 74
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The estimated receipts of revenue from all sources, for the two fiscal years beginning on the 1st October, 1854, and ending on the 1st October, 1856, are \$1,031,000 00. Deduct estimate of ordinary expenses for same period, \$500,000; deduct also one-fourth of one per cent. set apart for school purposes, \$257,750 00; and also deduct such extraordinary appropriations as may be made by the present General Assembly, which will, perhaps, not exceed \$75,000 00, and there will then be left, remaining in the Treasury, of surplus revenue, on the first of October 1856, \$198,250; to which amount add unappropriated revenue remaining in the Treasury on the 1st October, 1854, \$234,889 59, and it will leave a surplus revenue remaining in the State Treasury, on the 1st October 1856, of \$433,139 59.

It is believed that the estimate of the expenditures for the years 1855 and 1856, will exceed the true amount, rather than fall short of it, as a liberal allowance has been made for the increased expenditure, consequent upon the present revision session of the General Assembly.

The expenditures of 1853 and 1854 include the following special appropriations, which have been nearly or quite exhausted:

An act for the support of the Lunatic Asylum.....	\$37,300 00
An act for the enlargement of the Lunatic Asylum.	30,000 00
An act for the Management of Penitentiary.....	25,000 00
An act for the Deaf and Dumb Asylum.....	36,400 00
An act for the Blind Asylum at St. Louis.....	20,000 00

An act for the Geological survey of the State..... 20,000 00
 An act of 1851, for reclamation of Swamp Lands... 28,500 00

The total expenditure for above specified purposes, \$197,200 00

The revenues collected under the present system of taxation are more than sufficient to meet the current expenses of the government, and they are likely to be enhanced by the increase of our population, the sales of the public lands, the improvement of our roads, and the enlargement of our commercial facilities.

The late act of Congress, graduating the prices of public lands, according to the periods they have been proclaimed for sale, has already occasioned the sale of a large quantity of the public lands, which will henceforth be yielding revenue to the State. Yet, after deliberate reflection, I cannot recommend a reduction of taxes. The State has outstanding debts, bearing interest, and redeemable at the pleasure of the State; and our Railroads will require additional aid; it, therefore, seems more judicious to me to apply the surplus revenue to the liquidation of those debts, than to multiply them.

There are, however, defects in the method of assessing and collecting the revenues, which should be amended. The compensation of assessors does not depend upon the quantity or value of the lands assessed, but upon the number of tax payers, and their chief guide, in the performance of their duties, is the tax book of the previous year. The change of ownership occasions the assessment of the same property twice or thrice for the same year. The collector is charged with the whole amount of taxes assessed, from which it often happens, after the real owner has paid the taxes, that the lands are sold in the name of a former one. In addition to these evils, productive of so much needless expense and annoyance to the people, real estate is frequently assessed, not according to its actual value, but according to the caprice or interest of the owner. In some instances, whole counties are assessed at a very low rate, and in others at a very high one. The defect in the method of assessing, might be partially rectified by providing, that it shall be the duty of the Clerks of the County Courts, to keep a book, in which all the lands shall be numerically listed as they were patented, beginning with the lowest number of township, range, and section, and progressing to the highest. Spanish grants and New Madrid locations could be listed in a similar manner. Town lots could be listed as they are numbered. A copy of this book, furnished the assessor, would enable him to avoid the assessment of the same property more than once, and to assure himself that all the lands have been assessed. I do not think any specific recommendation necessary on my part, relative to the method of valuation. Any one of several remedies would be effectual, and I submit the subject to your consideration.

In conformity to the act, approved at the last session of the General Assembly, "to provide means to pay the State bonds, falling due in the year 1853," I appointed Wayman Crow, of St. Louis, as the agent of the State, to dispose of said bonds. The amount which became due during the year was \$255,000. I caused \$55,000 of this amount to be paid out of the public Treasury, as I was authorized to do by the act. For the remaining \$200,000 I issued bonds, each of \$1000 in amount, and placed them in the hands of Mr. Crow. He proceeded to New York, and there disposed of

them, at a premium of four per cent. and three quarters, amounting to \$6,775 63. The interest which had accumulated on the bonds from their date to the date of the sale, was \$1,900, making an aggregate of \$8,675 63. The principal, premium, and interest, were deposited by him in the Bank of Commerce at New York, to the credit of A. W. Morrison, Treasurer of the State, and there remained five months and four days at interest, accumulating an additional sum of \$3,572 82. At the end of that period the Bank of the State of Missouri agreed to pay to the Treasury, one-fourth of one per cent. for the privilege of transferring these moneys from the Bank of Commerce to her own vaults, and she fulfilled the agreement. The per centage paid by the Bank amounted to \$531 12. The general aggregate of all these amounts now deposited in the Bank to the credit of the Treasurer, after deducting the expenses incurred in the sale, is \$212,779 57. I deem it a duty, as well as a pleasure, to express my cordial appreciation of the skill, judgment, and prudence displayed by Mr. Crow, in this important business. His success was more than commensurate with my hopes or expectations.

The charter of the Bank of Missouri, will expire on the 2d day of February, 1857. The grave and delicate question is presented to you, by this state of fact, what legislation is necessary to secure stability in the value of property, facilitate the operations of commerce, and shield the State from an influx of depreciated or worthless Bank issues from our sister States? Shall the charter be permitted to expire, and the Bank be compelled to wind up its affairs, without any legislation to meet the consequences? Or shall a system of Free Banking be adopted, similar to those now prevailing in some of the north-western States? Or shall the present institution be rechartered, with such modifications as experience has indicated to be necessary? These are questions to which I have given the most anxious attention, and upon which I solicit your earnest deliberation. They are practical and not abstract questions; circumstances preclude us from treating them as we might, if our State was in its infancy, and our relations to the communities around us, gave us the option of deciding what currency we would have, and what not. They should be decided in time for the officers of the Bank to make preparation for the future, and arrest, if possible, a convulsion in our monetary affairs.

If the charter of the Bank is permitted to expire without further Legislation, the consequences must be injurious in the extreme. The value of all our property will be depreciated, there will follow a series of fluctuations in prices, opening the door to fraudulent speculations; the relations of debtor and creditor will be so disturbed, that the latter will be compelled to seek relief in the courts of justice, and the property of the former will be ruthlessly sacrificed, and whole families suddenly exposed to poverty and want. Our State will be immediately flooded with the depreciated issues from the banks of neighboring States, and our commercial classes will be overwhelmed in difficulties. This picture of what may be anticipated, is not overcharged. Similar results have followed in other States, from causes much less powerful to produce them. Nor can such a condition of things be materially alleviated, by penal Legislation to exclude foreign bank paper. If effectual, it could not relieve us from one tithe of the evils which I have enumerated. Our own experience, as well as that of every community in which it has been tried, proves that all such Legislation is a practical nullity.

Before any system of free banking can be adopted, it will be indispensable to amend the Constitution. That instrument empowers you to create one Bank with five branches. It empowers you to do nothing more. Its meaning is, in my judgment, too palpable to be misapprehended; and I cannot appreciate the reasoning, by which it is attempted to be shown, that, although the General Assembly cannot establish more than one Bank, it may authorize every member of the community to do so. Before the Constitution can be altered, all the difficulties and calamities, which it is so desirable to avert, will have come upon us. Nor do I think that such an amendment would be either wise or prudent. Coin is our measure of values, and medium of exchange. It is as important, and perhaps more so, that this measure shall be kept uniform, as that there shall be a uniform system of weights and measures. The introduction of paper money, originated in the necessities of commerce; and it should be limited and regulated by those necessities. There should never be so much of it, as to endanger the metallic basis on which it is issued; and it should never have any other basis than the constitutional coin of the nation. Under the system of free banking as now practiced, real estate and stocks are the securities for the redemption of issues. These are constantly fluctuating in value, producing, inevitably, a like continual fluctuation in the value of the issues made upon them; and it not unfrequently happens, that the stocks become altogether worthless, by the fraud or mismanagement of those who have control over them. The values of coin are effected only by the laws of trade; and paper issues based upon it, if kept within proper proportion, may be held as steady in value, and be like it, a fair measure of the value of all the products of industry.

Our State has rapidly progressed in agriculture, commerce and manufactures, since the organization of the Bank. Many new branches of industry have been introduced by the enterprise of our citizens; new sources of wealth have been discovered, and our farmers have multiplied four fold, the products of agriculture. We have a city which is the emporium of the northern valley of the Mississippi, and which has already established direct commercial relations with the whole civilized world. If we needed banking facilities, when the present Institution was chartered, we need them much more now. They are, in my opinion, indispensable to our prosperity and progress. I therefore, respectfully recommend, that the charter of the Bank shall be extended for such a period, as in the judgment of the General Assembly, will be prudent, and that its capital stock be increased to the sum of five millions of dollars.

I am entirely satisfied, that nothing short of an increase of capital, to the full amount authorized by the Constitution, will satisfy the wants, or provide for the necessities of the community. I also recommend, that such an amendment of the Constitution be submitted to the people for their sanction, as will empower the General Assembly to take any amount of stock it pleases, or none at all, if it be deemed expedient. Observation and experience have convinced me, that such an amendment should be made, and that we may safely entrust this much to the legislative discretion.

I am not prepared to express an opinion as to the policy of so amending the Constitution, as to authorize a multiplication of the branches of the Bank. I submit the suggestion, however, to the wisdom of the General Assembly.

As I anticipated, in a special message to the last General Assembly, the

time has arrived, when it is absolutely necessary to extend additional aid in the construction of the railroads, now in progress, or abandon them altogether. They cannot, in my opinion, be abandoned without great injury to the State, the people, and all our substantial interests. Anxious as I feel, however, to promote these works, I cannot recommend such legislation as will diminish the securities already held by the State, or involve the Treasury in further expenditures, without ample guarantees. Nothing is more fatal to works of internal improvement, than the encouragement of a belief, that the follies, imprudences, or misfortunes of those who manage them, will be rectified by legislative clemency. On the other hand nothing is more conducive to their advancement than such liberal encouragement as can be given, without involving the State in pecuniary difficulties and losses. There are numerous methods by which the construction of our roads may be aided, with safety to the Treasury. I will not presume to know better than the General Assembly, which of them should be adopted, but earnestly commend the whole subject to your consideration. Experience has shown, that, in this respect, we have already undertaken as much as we can accomplish, and that, therefore, we should await the completion of the roads now projected, before entering upon new schemes.

The Geological survey of the State, provided for by an act passed at the last session of the General Assembly, is in progress. In conformity to the act, I appointed Professor George C. Swallow, to complete this important work. The report which he will submit to you, will give full information in regard to it. The sum of \$20,000 was appropriated at the last session, to carry it on. This sum is not adequate to its completion, and additional aid will be required, before another General Assembly is convened. I respectfully recommend that an additional sum of \$20,000 be appropriated to complete the survey. Such a survey should be well executed or not at all. If well executed, it will greatly multiply our resources. If badly executed, it will mislead and ruin every capitalist that is enterprising enough to make an effort to develop our rich mineral resources. I feel no apprehensions, if sufficient means are provided to complete a thorough survey. The experience of a number of our sister States, with natural resources far inferior to ours, authorizes the confidence I have expressed. The gentleman to whom the duty has been entrusted, has proved himself worthy of the confidence reposed in his integrity, energy and scientific attainments.

The management of the Penitentiary under the present system, has, in my opinion, been eminently satisfactory. Order, cleanliness and humanity, have succeeded to anarchy, filth and cruelty. The best discipline prevails. The main block of cells was destroyed by fire early in the past summer. It has been rebuilt by the labor of the convicts alone. They have also erected a spacious warehouse, convenient to the prison, and on the river. The only charge to the State, for these valuable buildings, has been the cost of lumber and iron. I cannot too strongly recommend the continuance of the present system of management.

The State University is in a prosperous condition, under its present organization. This Institution is one of paramount importance in our educational system. Those of our youth, who desire to procure the higher branches of classical and scientific study, can now find an Institution at home, capable of imparting such knowledge, and are not compelled to complete their education in eastern Universities, where they may imbibe

sentiments adverse to the institutions and interest of their native State. I recommend to you such judicious legislation as will conduce to the permanent prosperity of the University.

The Deaf and Dumb Asylum, and the Lunatic Asylum, located at Fulton, in Callaway county, have, so far as I have been enabled to learn, been judiciously and humanely conducted. The State has exhibited a commendable spirit of liberality in providing for the comfort and treatment of these unfortunate classes of our fellow-beings. The General Assembly in 1849, appropriated, from the State Treasury, for the benefit of the Lunatic Asylum, the sum of \$15,000, also the surplus revenue deposited with Missouri, \$23,000; in 1851 the sum of \$25,000; in 1853, for the support of the Asylum \$37,800, and for the enlargement of the Asylum \$30,000; making an aggregate of \$130,800. This sum does not include a large amount which has been paid for the benefit of the State Lunatic Asylum, and which was raised by private subscription; nor does it include the salaries of the officers of the Institution, since it has been in operation. The salaries of all the officers now amount to \$2,650 per annum. The General Assembly appropriated in 1853, for the Deaf and Dumb Asylum, the sum of \$36,400; in addition to this sum there has been expended during the last two fiscal years the further sum of \$7,702 89, under a standing act providing for the "Education of the Deaf and Dumb." I am not prepared to make any recommendations; but submit the subject to the wisdom of the General Assembly.

The Institution for the education of the Blind, located at St. Louis, has been also eminently successful. These unfortunate persons are taught the more useful branches of education, and to execute work requiring mechanical skill. Several prizes for their ingenuity in mechanism, were awarded to them at the late State fair. Institutions like these, reflect honor upon the State; and I respectfully recommend to you such fostering legislation as may be necessary, and commend to your favorable consideration the accompanying report of the Trustees of this Institution.

The act relative to schools, authorized the Executive to appoint a General Superintendent. In pursuance of it, I appointed John W. Henry, Esq., by whom the important duties entrusted to him, have been diligently and faithfully performed. As the law now stands, one-fourth of the general revenues of the State, is set apart for the support of schools. I respectfully recommend that, instead of setting apart a portion of the revenues, the law be so amended, as to collect a like amount for the benefit of schools, by a special tax. I do not think it advisable to reduce or enlarge the taxes; but that the portion now set apart, be collected as a school tax. This amendment would be more satisfactory to the people, and tend to enhance their solicitude in the cause of education.

There is another defect in the operation of the law, which, it seems to me, should be remedied. The whole fund is now distributed among about one-third of the counties of the State, leaving the other two-thirds, without any encouragement to promote education. I call your attention to this practical injustice, and trust you will apply an appropriate corrective.

The agents of the State appointed to select, in the several counties, the swamp lands granted by the act of Congress of the 28th of September, 1850, reported to the Surveyor General 3,140,856 acres. Upon a comparison with the field notes and reports of special agents deputed by him, that officer struck out 387,885 acres of these selections, and reported the

remaining 2,765,971 acres to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, as, in his judgment, swamp lands within the purview of the act. At a subsequent period, he was authorized to receive additional lists, and to disregard the field notes, if the State authorities produced sufficient evidence. Under these instructions he reported as swamp land, an additional quantity of 468,969 acres. With the exception of a few instances of conflict with private entries, I am assured that the lands thus reported, will be patented to the State. The President and Directors of the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad Company, not having been able to obtain the full quantity of vacant land granted in aid of the work, within the bounds prescribed by Congress, instituted a proceeding before the Surveyor General, to contest the right of the State to a large amount of land reported as swamp land. This proceeding has resulted in the reclamation of 20,683 acres on the part of the road. So soon as the patents are issued—and I trust that the Commissioner will avoid delay—the title under our legislation will be perfected to the counties in which these lands lie.

The law requires the Executive to invest the moneys arising from the sale of Saline lands, in such stocks as in his opinion are safe and productive. Not being able to find a proper investment, and the session of the General Assembly being at hand, I have deemed it more prudent to permit the moneys to remain in the Treasury, and call your attention to the fact, that you may take such further measures for their disposal, as may, in your judgment, be appropriate.

At the last session of the General Assembly, the sum of \$1,000 per annum for five years was appropriated in aid of a State Agricultural Fair. This appropriation has had an excellent effect in causing the introduction of superior stock, and exciting our citizens to emulation in the productive business of stock raising. I recommend a continuance of this encouragement.

Nothing can be more fallacious, than the idea which designing men attempt to propagate, whenever a proposition is made to increase the salaries of public officers, that such a measure is an aristocratic one. The very reverse of this idea is correct. If public officers are not adequately compensated for their services, the rich only can afford to enter the public service. The poor, whose sympathies are more likely to be with the masses of the people, and who, from their associations, are more apt to be cognizant of their wants and interests, are excluded by their necessities. I am no advocate of extravagant salaries. They would result in the same evils produced by extreme parsimony. There is a just medium, which may be, and should be observed. They should be high enough to afford a fair compensation for the services exacted, and operate as an inducement to those who are best qualified to fill public stations, irrespective of individual fortune. My own experience has taught me, that the salary of the Executive bears no proportion to the duties and responsibilities resting upon him; and observation has convinced me, that nearly all of our public officers, are inadequately compensated. This is especially true in reference to the judicial department. I cannot, under the constitution, receive any benefit by a change of the law; but a sense of duty impels me to recommend that the salary of the Governor shall be increased to at least the sum of \$3,000 per annum; and that the salaries of other officers shall be increased to a fair living compensation for the services performed.

After mature deliberation and consultation with those most likely to

be well informed upon the subject, I have concluded to recommend to you the consolidation of the Supreme Court at Jefferson City. The present organization of the duties of that important tribunal tends, in my opinion, to the increase of useless and unjust legislation, the consumption of much valuable time, and the introduction of confusion into its records and proceedings. The State has purchased a good library for its use, and if it be not as extensive as is desirable, it will be better economy to enlarge it, than to continue the present system. Many other reasons might be given for this recommendation; but they will readily suggest themselves upon reflection, and I need not comment at large upon them.

The act providing for the election, and prescribing the duties of the Public Printer, requires that he shall be elected by the General Assembly every two years. The General Assembly having failed to make an election at its last session, and the two years for which the Public Printer was elected having expired, I felt it my duty, under the ninth section of the fourth article of the Constitution, which provides, that, "when any office shall become vacant, the Governor shall appoint a person to fill such vacancy, who shall continue in office, until a successor be duly appointed and qualified according to law," to appoint an individual to fill the vacancy, I accordingly appointed John G. Troadway, Public Printer. Thereupon the question, as to who was rightfully the Public Printer, was submitted to the Supreme Court. That Tribunal—(Justice Scott dissenting, in an opinion marked by profound learning and accurate reasoning,)—decided that no such vacancy, as the Constitution contemplated, existed; and that the former incumbent was entitled to hold over, until it should be the pleasure of the General Assembly to appoint a successor. I trust I am not wanting, in a proper regard for a coördinate department of the Government, but self-respect impels me to say, that I have found nothing in the opinion of the Court, which had not previously occupied my attention, and consequently nothing, authorizing a change in my opinion. In this connection it is proper to add, that prior to this decision, I had appointed a number of Bank officers, and subsequently to it, I declined appointing to the State Land Offices, both these kinds of office being in precisely the same condition with that of Public Printer, and their appointment involving the same questions. The officers appointed to the Bank, were permitted to enter upon their duties without objection. I have no reason to believe, that the Public Printer or any one of the Land Office incumbents, have failed in a proper exercise of his functions, but I am still impressed with the opinion, that the securities are not bound for any direliction. I therefore recommend, that these officers be appointed as early as practicable, and that the law be so amended, as to prevent the recurrence of a similar state of things.

The extension of our dominions to the shores of the Pacific, the rapid growth of communities on that coast, and the multiplication of our commercial relations with Eastern Asia, and the western borders of South and Central America, have at last, awakened the public mind to the importance of opening new and more rapid lines of communication, between the Valley of the Mississippi, and the western limits of our possessions. Intelligent, enterprising and patriotic individuals, have devoted their talents and time to the subject, and a number of plans for the construction of a railroad, have been laid before the public. Such a work must be either Northern, Southern or Central. If it be a Northern one, its eastern terminus

would probably be in Wisconsin or northern Illinois, thus enabling the north-western States to monopolize the advantages and profits. If it be a Southern one, its eastern terminus will be probably at Galveston or New Orleans, thus enabling the south-western States to hold a like monopoly. If it be Central, its eastern terminus would be at some point on the western border of this State, and the products of our trade with those of the countries watered by the Pacific and its tributaries, might be thence distributed, by means of branches, to every section of the Union, thus giving all the States as equal a participation in the benefits, as it is possible to give them. It is to be hoped, therefore, that Congress, in whatever it may do to encourage the construction of this great work, will not weaken the bonds of the Union by sectional partiality.

That such a road can be constructed at a reasonable outlay, on any one of a number of lines, between our northern and southern frontiers, has been abundantly demonstrated. That if constructed upon a Central one, it will strengthen the bonds of our Union, multiply communities west of us, bring into cultivation many millions of acres, which must otherwise continue to be a wilderness, develop vast beds of rich mineral resources, and augment our national wealth, by an increase of our revenues, manufactures, and domestic and foreign commerce, is so clear, that argument to prove it, would be a work of supererogation.

Intimately connected with this subject, being only an additional means of communication, is the construction of a line of Telegraph, and the carriage of a daily mail across the continent. Under our present arrangement, letters arrive at New York from San Francisco, in twenty-five to thirty days, and in St. Louis in thirty to forty days. If a line of enclosures, such as the fur traders erect, were built at distances of thirty miles from one another, from our border to San Francisco and Oregon, a daily mail could be carried, (at least a letter mail,) in seventeen to twenty days, through the whole year; thus reaching St. Louis and New York earlier than at present, and at little over one-half the present contract price. These posts would afford protection to our emigrants and traders, and be also Telegraph stations, bringing us at once into hourly communication with our brethren on the Pacific.

The United States unquestionably owe protection to their emigration and infant communities. That they are not sufficiently protected, is very evident from the bloody and cruel massacres, which have been so frequently perpetrated against them. If Congress should determine to provide more effectual means against such distressing occurrences in the future, a regiment of a thousand troops garrisoned in these posts, would give the necessary protection, and might be required to carry the mails between our western border and the Pacific. The whole amount necessary for the pay, equipment and support of these troops, would not exceed one-half of the sum now paid for transporting the mails between New York and San Francisco. The protection thus afforded, would induce an immense travel upon this line, that would prefer the inland route to the circuitous and dangerous one by sea. It would also cause a line of settlements to spring up along these posts, that would soon be able to furnish shelter, necessities, and even comforts to the traveling community, which again in their turn, would increase, encourage and invigorate the settlements. Thus would be formed a great chain of settlements spanning the continent, and a great highway of emigration, travel and trade would be opened.

It is needless for me to expand this subject into all its details. They will suggest themselves to every reflecting mind. There are numbers of our enterprising citizens who are anxious to undertake the construction of a line of Telegraph, and the carriage of such a mail, if they can only receive as much encouragement in these enterprises, as is given, at every session of Congress, to schemes of much inferior importance. A grant of 500,000 acres of land to this State or to the Territory of Kansas, would enable either to contract for and secure the construction of a Pacific Telegraph. These would be but the precursors to a great line of railway, which, when completed, would bring all our possessions into such intimate communion as would create as profound attachment to the Constitution and the Union, at the circumference as in the centre of the confederation. I recommend to you such action on those subjects as will stimulate our Senators and Representatives in Congress, to zealous efforts in behalf of these works, and the Congress itself, to more efficient and decisive measures.

It is with pain and solicitude, that I announce to you, that our relations to our sister States, and to the Union, are not such as to give us assurance that the Constitution will be held sacred, and the Union perpetuated. More than thirty years ago, emissaries were dispatched into the northern States, and very recently into the southern States, by the enemies of constitutional liberty in Europe, furnished with means to propagate slander and falsehood, and excite the meanest and most degraded prejudices of the human heart. These agents have performed the task allotted to them, with unceasing vigilance and determined perseverance. A brief space of time only had elapsed, before they succeeded in rallying around them, a party of desperate and unprincipled men, who, assuming the office of Missionaries, have continued to preach a crusade against the institution of slavery. Emboldened by their success in misleading the ignorant and unwary, and exciting a morbid and fanatical religious sentiment, they have not hesitated recently, to avow themselves open enemies of the Constitution and the Union. Such is the origin, such the character, and the purpose of the Abolition party.

The success of this treasonable design, rendered it an object with desperate and corrupt politicians in the northern States, to obtain the votes of the abolitionists. For this purpose, a new party was organized, under the specious name of the Free-soil party. Professing, in their public proceedings, adhesion to the Constitution, and yet constantly advocating unconstitutional schemes to further the designs of their abolition allies, they have acquired the confidence of that traitorous faction; whilst they have seduced into their toils, large numbers of good men, who do not comprehend the inevitable consequences of the policy they advocate.

This combination of heterogeneous elements, seem to have an elective affinity for all the ephemeral factions, that are engendered by local conflicts, or temporary causes. There is an instinctive propensity, that, when these petty combinations are disbanded by the progress of events, their constituent elements must unite with the anti-slavery party. Their policy has been cautious and plausible. They affect to admit that Congress has no power to interfere with slavery in the States; and yet, if that is not the ultimate object, their whole system of operations is absurd. The chief ends aimed at hitherto, have been the exclusion of slavery from the Territories, and where they have failed in this, the exclusion of slave States from the Union, and the abrogation of the clause in the Constitution, providing for the reclamation of fugitive slaves.

They know well that success in these objects, would give them a preponderance in our national councils, and enable them to violate the Constitution still more grossly, in reference to the institution of slavery in the States.

Their purposes have been evinced in every instance of the organization of Territorial governments, and of application for the admission of slave States into the Union. This most remarkable instance of this spirit was, when our own State applied for admission. The position assumed by the anti-slavery party, was, that Congress had the power to require an abolition of slavery, as a condition precedent to admission. After a conflict, which seriously threatened the integrity of the Union, a proposition was submitted by a Senator from Illinois, to exclude slavery north of latitude $36^{\circ} 30'$, and admit it south of this line. Although doubts were then entertained of the constitutionality of such an enactment, the proposition was acquiesced in, and the bill for the admission of the State adopted with the amendment proposed. It was opposed only by the opponents of southern institutions, and acquiesced in, by a large majority of the Representatives from the southern States, merely for the sake of peace and union. This act embodied what is commonly called the Missouri Compromise, a measure, which, until recently, met with unqualified reprehension from the anti-slavery party.

They struggled to have it disregarded when Texas was admitted, and they bitterly opposed the proposition to extend the Compromise line to the Pacific. It was not until after the effort to extend this line to the Pacific had failed, that the friends of the Union reverted to, and asserted the true American and Republican principle, that the people of every community have an inherent and indefeasible right to frame their own laws. This great natural right was recognized, for the first time, in respect to the Territories, by the acts for the admission of New Mexico, California and Utah; commonly called the Compromise measures.

It suits the purposes of the enemies of the Union, at the present time, to affect extraordinary reverence for the Missouri Compromise. Forgetful of the thirty years opposition they have made to it, and supposing that the nation is alike forgetful, they have recently claimed for it a sacredness beyond and above all law. In their eyes, it has ceased to be an act of legislation—it is a *compact*, which supersedes the Constitution; and not a law, passed in pursuance of it. The powers of Congress are delegated in, and specified and limited by the Constitution.

I find none enumerated in that instrument, authorizing that body to make a compact, nor have I found any authority given by the States to their Senators and Representatives, to enter into one. The eighth section of the act of the 6th March, 1820, was, therefore, a law, in its true and proper sense, and as subject to be repealed as any other law. If, in conformity to the Constitution, it was a law binding upon the States and the people; if not, it was null and void, and needed only a judicial decision, to authorize the public to refuse obedience to it. There is no power given to Congress to say, that slavery shall exist on one side of a line of latitude, and shall not on the other; and hence, in my opinion, that clause of the Missouri act was a nullity. I rejoice, however, that it has been repealed according to the forms of the Constitution. The question is, therefore, unequivocally settled.

Prior to the formation of the Constitution, the political sovereignty, or right of eminent domain, resided in each of the old States, to so much of the soil, as was included within their respective chartered limits. After the designation of the boundaries of the States, and the formation of the Constitution, they held a joint sovereignty in the public domain. Territories have since been acquired by purchase, and by conquest sanctioned by treaty. The political sovereignty is vested by the act of acquisition, in the States; and not in the general government, which is but a trustee, whose powers are limited by the instrument which created it. The States have never divested themselves of the political sovereignty over the territories. The only power given to Congress is "to dispose of, and make all needful rules and regulations, respecting the territory or other *property belonging* to the United States." Instead of being a grant of sovereign jurisdiction, this is an actual reservation of it. It is a grant of power to dispose of the property right in the soil or any other property, but it asserts, at the same time, that it *belongs* to the States. In empowering Congress to dispose of the public lands, the Convention well knew, that new communities would be built up west of the Alleghanies. If it had been their purpose to authorize Congress to organize governments, or to enact municipal regulations for these communities, is it possible to believe that such a power would not have been enumerated? And is it possible to believe that statesmen, who knew so well the use of accurate language, meant to convey all the powers of government *as an incident* to a power to sell lands?

The facts of history prove that our fathers did not intend to confer such a power upon Congress. They had just achieved the most extraordinary revolution in the annals of mankind. It was a revolution in the defence of a principle, and that principle was the right of self-government. They did not choose to impose upon their own children, emigrating to the territories, the very yoke which they had themselves hazarded "their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honors" to throw off. They intended to permit them to occupy the new territories. They did not intend to part with political sovereignty. Those who availed themselves of the permission, did not thereby cease to owe allegiance to the United States, but they were authorized to govern themselves consistently with that allegiance. By refusing the power to Congress, and providing no other method of organizing governments in Territories, the States recognized in the people occupying them, the great natural right of self-government. Congress may recommend, it cannot impose a form of government upon Territories. The late act for the organization of Kansas and Nebraska, clearly recognizes the rights of the people to enact their own municipal laws. I rejoice that it has been adopted, and I hold that, as the people of the Territories have acquiesced in its provisions, it is binding upon them.

In conclusion allow me to promise a hearty coöperation in all measures calculated to promote the welfare and happiness of the people, and the advancement of our State; and to invoke a harmonious spirit on your part, in the accomplishment of these desirable ends.

STERLING PRICE.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
City of Jefferson, Dec. 25, 1854. }

Mr. Dyer offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That ten thousand copies of the Governor's Message be printed in the English language, and two thousand in the German language for the use of the members of the House, and the citizens of the State, generally.

Mr. Frost called for a division of the question.

The question then being to print ten thousand copies in the English language, it was decided in the affirmative.

The question being to print two thousand copies of the message in the German language, was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Dyer :

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Bean, Black, Boggy, Bonham, Botts, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Barret, Barnes, Chilton, Chipard, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Owsington, Darby, Barnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of P., Derriss, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fant, Farrar, Feagen, Gartin, Gilstrap, Gottle, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guiter, Harrison, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Holmes, Hughes, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McAfee, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McColloch, McFall, McFarland, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monfo, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Motherhead, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Parcells, Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Standiford, Wall, White, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., Yeats, and Mr. Speaker—105.

NOES—Messrs. Boyd, Drake, Field, Frost, Gentry, Harding, Hill, Hardeman, Smith, of P., Tucker, Webb, Whitaker and Wyatt—18.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Doniphan, of C., Harris, Houghton, Howell, Mott and Todd.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

Sick—Mr. Pratt.

The Committee appointed to wait on the Rev. Joseph Boyle, to inform him of his election of Chaplain of the House of Representatives, report that they have discharged the duty assigned them.

The Speaker laid before the House the biennial report of the Auditor of Public Accounts, which was,

On motion of Mr. Minor, laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. Burnes,

Resolved, That five thousand copies of the biennial report of the Auditor of Public Accounts be printed for the use of the members of the House, and one hundred additional copies for the use of the Auditor of Public Accounts.

On motion of Mr. McCarty,

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M., to-morrow.

EVENING SESSION—THURSDAY DEC. 28, 1854.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication :

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE,
Jefferson City, Missouri, December 26th, 1854. }

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives :

GENTLEMEN: In compliance with the 22d section of "An Act to regulate elections," I have the honor herewith to transmit a list of members of the House of Representatives of the eighteenth General Assembly, elected in August, 1854, agreeably to the returns in this office.

Very respectfully,

JOHN M. RICHARDSON,
Secretary of State.

Mr. Todd, member elect from the county of St. Louis, came forward, produced his credentials, was qualified and took his seat.

Mr. Blair offered as a substitute for Mr. Moseley's resolution, introduced on yesterday, the following :

That the Clerk of the House be authorized to furnish to each member of the House ten daily or weekly newspapers, to be selected by the members ;

Which was rejected.

Mr. Bean offered the following substitute :

Resolved, That the editors of the Jefferson Inquirer and Examiner be each requested to furnish each member of this House, during the present session, with one copy of their daily paper, and their accounts for the same shall be paid out of the contingent fund at the close of the session.

Mr. Holmes moved to amend by striking out one and inserting two papers ;

Which was decided in the negative.

Mr. Smith, of S., offered the following substitute for the resolution and amendments :

Strike out all after the word "resolved," and insert the following :

That the Door-keeper be authorized and directed to subscribe for such number of daily or weekly newspapers, as each member of this House may direct, not to exceed four for each member, to be paid for out of the contingent fund of this House.

Mr. Brady moved to lay the substitute on the table ;

Which motion was rejected.

Mr. Burnet, moved to amend the resolution by adding "that he shall also furnish—number of post office stamps;"

Which was accepted by Mr. Smith, of S.

On motion of Mr. Field, the blank was filled with "one hundred three cent stamps."

Mr. Darnes moved to lay the resolution, together with the amendments, on the table ;

Which motion was decided in the negative.

Mr. Minor offered the following as a substitute for the original resolution, which was,

On motion of Mr. Brown, of St. L., laid upon the table.

Resolved, That the sum of fifty dollars is hereby appropriated out of the contingent fund of this House, to each member thereof, for the purpose of enabling the members to furnish themselves with the necessary number of daily and weekly papers for the present session, and the Auditor of Public Accounts is hereby authorized and required to draw his warrant for the same.

Mr. Brady offered the following substitute, which was,

On motion of Mr. Darnes, laid on the table.

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk be authorized to subscribe for and supply each member with two daily papers, to be designated by each member, and to be paid for out of the contingent fund at the close of the session.

The question then being on the adoption of the resolution as amended, was decided in the affirmative.

Message from the Senate by J. A. Holliday, Assistant Secretary:

Mr. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that a bill of the following title, has been introduced into the Senate and passed;

A bill to authorize the county of St. Charles to borrow money.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate:

A bill to regulate the compensation of the probate judge, and of executors and administrators in the county of St. Louis;

A bill for the relief of Mary Gay Gentry of Platte county;

An act to prevent certain officers from speculating in county scrip;

An act relating to interest.

An act to repeal an act entitled, an act regulating the interest of money, approved January 15th, 1847, and re-enacting an act, entitled, an act regulating the interest of money, approved March 24th, 1845, at chapter 88th, page 513, and following.

An act, amendatory of an act, entitled an act, donating swamp lands to the several counties in which they lie.

The Senate has passed concurrent resolution to appoint committees from each House, to draft joint rules for the government of the two Houses, in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully requested.

Mr. Motherson introduced the following resolutions:

Resolved, By the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, that the Constitution is the fundamental law of our Union, and that the great and leading principle, upon which it is based, is perfect equality among the States, between which it has been adopted, and that in all things involving the joint rights or interests of the States, there can be no preference given to its agent, the General Government, to any one or more of the States, to the exclusion of the others, without a gross departure from the justice and equality, which our Government was instituted to maintain.

Resolved 2d. That as common citizens of the Republic of America, and as the Representatives of one of the sovereign States of this Union, we hold it to be the first and highest duty of every one, who appreciates the inestimable blessings of liberty to sustain and defend against all encroach-

ments, the great fundamental law, the Constitution which defends both the form and the powers of our national character.

Resolved 3d, That the law organizing the Territories of Kansas and Nebraska, maintains the equality of the States, and the justice of the Constitution, and therefore demands our decided approval.

Resolved 4th, That the State of Missouri as a slave State, and from local position, is deeply interested in the character of the Government, that is to be instituted in Kansas Territory, and that it is the duty of the State and her citizens, to use all means, consistent with the Constitution of the country—the equality of the States, and the right of their citizens to prevent, if possible, that beautiful country, from becoming an asylum for abolitionists and free-soilers, to harass and destroy our peace and safety.

Resolved 5th, That the Governor of this State be requested to transmit a copy of these resolutions to our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

Which were read a first time, and under the rule, lay over.

Mr. Goode gave notice that on to-morrow he would introduce "A bill to repeal the usury laws."

Mr. Darnes, on leave, introduced a bill "exempting the homestead from execution and sale,"

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Bean, on leave, introduced a bill, entitled,

"An act for the relief of the collectors of the revenue;"

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. East, Senate bill, entitled,

"An act to authorize the county of St. Charles to borrow money,"

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. Davis,

Resolved, That a Committee of ——— members of this House be appointed to meet such Committee as may be appointed by the Senate, to consult and advise, as to the best mode and manner of revising the Statute Laws of the State of Missouri, and that the result of such consultation be communicated to this House by report or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Kelly, the clock was filled with "ten;" whereupon,

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Davis, Kelly, Deniphan, of C., Atcock, Todd, Boggy, Goode, Harrison, McAfee, and McClain, of St. C., said Committee.

Mr. Field introduced concurrent resolutions instructing our members in Congress;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time, and passed.

On leave, Mr. Metherstead introduced a bill, entitled,

An act fixing the salary of civil officers;

Which was read a first time.

On leave, Mr. Farrar introduced a bill, entitled,

An act to authorize the St. Louis Gas Light Company, to increase its capital;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Message from the Senate by Mr. J. A. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that a bill of the following title has passed the Senate :

A bill for the relief of Mary Gay Gentry, of Platte county ;

A bill of the following title has been introduced into and passed the Senate :

An act to repeal an act, entitled an act to provide for the election of Road Overseers in the county of Shelby ;

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate :

A bill concerning the Record of Deeds in the county of St. Louis ;

An act directing in what manner, and in what courts the State may be sued ;

A bill to expedite the construction of the Mississippi Valley Railroad North.

Mr. Bogy, from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the certificate of election, of Burton McGhee, member elect from the county of McDonald, made the following report:

The Special Committee to whom was referred the question, whether the county of McDonald is entitled to representation in the present General Assembly ; beg leave to report :

That by an act approved 3rd March, 1849, said county of McDonald was organized and was to remain attached to the county of Newton, until it should have sufficient population to entitle it to separate representation.

According to the census of 1852, it had a population of 2719. The ratio of representation ascertained in accordance with the amendments to the Constitution, adopted session 1848-9, is 452. By the same amendments, it is provided that no county shall be entitled to separate representation, unless the number of permanent free white inhabitants therein, shall, at the time, be equal to three-fourths of the vote of representation then being :

To entitle this county to a representative, it would consequently require a population of 3894. The Committee have had no means of ascertaining the present population of McDonald county. In 1852, it had a population of 2719. In May, 1853, on the question of locating the county seat, it gave, as the Committee is informed, upwards of 500 votes ; and at the late August election, for the election of a member of Congress, it gave 452 votes ; many persons, resident of the county, as the Committee is informed, voting in the county of Newton. The presumption is consequently very strong, that it has a sufficient population.

The act organizing this county does not provide how the fact of sufficient population, is to be ascertained. The decision of this question, it would appear, is left with the citizens of the county, which, it seems, they have decided, by first abstaining from voting for the candidates, residing in the county of Newton ; and secondly, by holding an election and electing one of their own citizens to represent them in this House.

It appears that Burton McGhee, the person who claims the seat, was also clerk of the county court, and his certificate of election is signed by him as clerk. At first the Committee was of opinion, that this could not be done, and that, although the county might be entitled to representation, that this supposed illegal manner of certifying the fact, would be fatal

to the claims of the person claiming a seat in this House, under such a certificate, but on a further investigation, your committee has come to the conclusion, that there is nothing illegal in this way of proceeding.

Your Committee, from a hasty examination of the facts of this case, have come to the conclusion, that the county of McDonald is justly entitled to be represented in this General Assembly, and that Burton McGhee, the claimant, is entitled to his seat.

LOUIS V. BOGY,
WM. S. MOSELEY,
W. A. McLANE.

Jefferson City, December 28, 1854.

Mr. Minor moved to agree to the report of the Committee.

Mr. Breckinridge moved to re-commit the report of the Committee, pending the question.

On motion of Mr. Mothersead,

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M., to-morrow.

EVENING SESSION—FRIDAY DECEMBER 29, 1854.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Boyle.

The Speaker announced the Standing Committees:

On the Judiciary—Messrs. Davis, Hardin, Todd, Reid, McClain, of St. C., Harrison, and McAfee.

On Ways and Means—Messrs. Harrison, Lightner, Bohannon, Bogy, Acock, McCarty, and Morrow.

On Criminal Jurisprudence—Messrs. Field, Doniphan, of C., Frost, Gilstrap, Moseley, and Farrar.

On Internal Improvements—Messrs. Rollins, Cunningham, Smith, of P., Wall, Britton, Gentry, and Patrick.

On Education—Messrs. Breckinridge, Bean, Kelly, Guitar, Hughes, Minor, and Shelton.

On Claims—Messrs. Barrett, Murray, Lewis, of St. Louis, Hickox, Brown, of J., Garth, and Blakey.

On the Militia—Messrs. Acock, Clippard, Davis, Mothersead, King, Isbell and Morrow.

On the Permanent Seat of Government—Messrs. Ewing, Dyer, Farrar, Alexander, Medley, Fant and Graves.

On Elections—Messrs. Blair, Donelan, Whitaker, Crosswhite, Jeffress, Blakey and Smith, of P.

On Public Salaries—Messrs. Lewis, of C., Everet, Buford, Jackson, Wyatt, Williams, of D., and Howell.

On Justices of the Peace—Messrs. Guitar, Brady, Feagan, Davis, Botts, Baker and White.

On Revised and Unfinished Business—Messrs. Darnes, Yeats, McColloc, Shambaugh, Roberts, McLane, of Cape G., and Standiford.

On Accounts—Messrs. Burnes, Parcels, Smith, of B., Harris, Darby, Mott and Cravens.

On Engrossed Bills—Messrs. Doniphan, of P., Hill, Green, of F., Heryford, Burnet, Moore and Clark.

On Public Printing—Messrs. Bean, Brown, of St. L., Murray, Williams, of H., Gilstrap, Houghton and Jennings.

On the Bank—Messrs. Goode, Doniphan, of C., Lightner, Boyd, Gentry, Bogy and Britton.

On Federal Relations—Messrs. Doniphan, of C., Blair, Bogy, Rollins, Davis, Kelly and Mothersead.

On Public Buildings—Messrs. Harding, Brown, of N., Bullock, McMahan, McFall, Green and Tucker.

On Roads and Highways—Messrs. McCarty, Boyd, McSpadden, McCary, Neill, Heryford and Pratt.

On Agriculture—Messrs. Hardeman, Drake, Feagan, Harris, Burner, Baker and Dodson.

On Penitentiary—Messrs. Smith, of P., Sitton, Holmes, Dorriss, Smith, of St. L., Chilton and Powers.

On State Lands—Messrs. Hughes, Harding, McMurtry, Webb, Morgan, Layton and Phillips.

On the Lunatic Asylum—Messrs. Hardin, Burnet, Minor, Breckinridge, Morrow, McFarland, Bradford and Brady.

On Corporations—Messrs. Todd, Cunningham, Reid, Ritchey, Jones, Moaro and Smith, of S.

On Swamp Lands—Messrs. Mosley, Wall, Moore, Mott, Darnes, Munro and McAfee.

On Enrolled Bills—Messrs. Bean, Britton, Yeats, Cunningham, Moore and Sitton.

The motion pending, when the House adjourned on yesterday, to re-commit the report to the select committee, appointed to investigate the legality of the claims of Burton McGhee, member elect from the county of McDonald, to a seat in this House, was taken up, when

Mr. Hughes moved to amend the motion, by referring the whole subject to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Darnes moved the previous question, and asked for yeas and nays, which was decided in the affirmative, by the following vote:

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Bogy, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Burnet, Burnes, Clippard, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorriss, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fant, Farrar, Field, Gentry, Garth, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Holmes, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McAfee, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFarland, McMahan, McMurtry, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monro, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Mothersead, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Parcells, Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., Wyatt and Yeats—106.

NAYS—Messrs. Aceck, Alexander, Bohannon, Bullock, Chilton, Frost, Hughes, Lewis, of C., and Mr. Speaker—9.

Absent—Messrs. Brown, of St. L., Buford, Dodson, Feagan, Hill, McFall, Moseley, Sitton and Smith, of B.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

Sick—Messrs. McSpadden and Pratt.

Thomas J. Howell, member elect from Oregon county, came forward, produced his credentials, was qualified and took his seat.

The question then being on agreeing to the report of the Committee, it was decided in the negative, by the following vote:

The ayes and nays being called for.

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Bogy, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Burnes, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Derriss, Dyer, Everett, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Howell, Jennings, Jones, Layton, Lewis, of C., McAfee, McCarty, McClain, of St. C., McFarland, McMahan, McMurtry, Minor, Moore, Morgan, Morrow, Murray, Parcells, Phillips, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of B., Smith, of S., Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—46.

NAYS—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Bohannon, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of Jefferson, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burcet, Chilton, Clark, Cunningham, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hill, Holmes, Houghton, Hughes, Isbell, Jackson, Kelly, King, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McCulloch, Medley, Mott, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Powers, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Wall, Webb, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—70.

Absent—Messrs. Brown, of St. Louis, Buford, Jeffress, McFall, Moore, Moseley, Mothersead and Sitton.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

Sick—Messrs. McSpadden and Pratt.

On motion of Mr. Bogy, the report, together with all the papers, were then referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petitions, memorials and remonstrances being in order,

Mr. Monroe presented a petition from citizens of Livingston county, to attach a certain strip of land to said county;

(Which was, on his motion, referred to a Select Committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Monroe, Harding, and Darby.

Mr. Mothersead presented sundry petitions from the county of Gentry, praying for a new county;

(Which was, on his motion, referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Messrs. Mothersead, Goode, Everet, Shambaugh, Williams, of D., and Nevill.

Mr. Hardin presented a petition from William M. George, executor of the last will and testament of Benjamin Young, deceased, praying for an act for the relief of the heirs of said deceased.

Which was, on his motion, referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Hardin presented a petition from James M. Davis, praying for an act authorizing the sale of certain lands belonging to the heirs of Mary H. Davis;

Which was, on his motion, referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Messrs. Hardin, Guiter, and Baker.

Mr. Dorriss presented a petition for the relief of Wm. C. Remington;

Which was, on his motion, referred to a Select Committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Dorriss, Britton, and Garth.

Mr. Webb presented a petition for an act granting to Jacob L. Wooliver, the right of vending groceries and spirituous liquors, without license, in the county of Dea;

Which was, on his motion, referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Lightner presented a petition for a general act of incorporation;

Which was, on his motion, referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. McMurtry presented a petition of James M. Goodson and others, for a special act, for the relief of the minor heirs of Smith Trotter, dec'd.;

Which was, on his motion, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Harrison presented a petition from citizens of Cooper county, praying to be attached to a certain school district, in Saline county;

Which was, on his motion, referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Messrs. Harrison, Ewing and Britton.

On motion of Mr. Morrow,

The House adjourned until 10 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow.

SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 30, 1854.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed to inform the House of Representatives that bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed:

An act to incorporate Palmyra Female Seminary;

A memorial to Congress, asking a grant of land for school purposes in Township No. 67;

The Senate has passed House resolutions entitled,

Joint resolutions, instructing our members in Congress to procure relief for soldiers in the Mexican war.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate :

An act to amend an act regulating courts, approved March 27th, 1845;

A bill to graduate the public lands of this State ;

A bill to regulate the pay of jurors in Cole county ;

An act to incorporate Springfield Female College ;

An act to incorporate the North Grand River Railroad Company ;

An act to incorporate the American Insurance Company.

On motion of Mr. Bean,

Mr. Kelly was added to the Committee on Lunatic Asylum.

The Speaker laid before the House the report on the Lunatic Asylum.

Mr. Minor moved to lay the report on the table, and to print five thousand copies.

Mr. Kelly offered the following as a substitute for Mr. Minor's motion:

Resolved, That — copies of the report of the Managers of the State Lunatic Asylum with accompanying reports be printed, and bound in suitable paper for the use of this House ; and two hundred copies additionally for the use of the Asylum, to be forwarded by the door-keeper; and that the Committee on Printing be instructed to have the same done in a neat manner;

Which was adopted by the House.

The question then being on filling the blank.

Mr. Neill moved to insert "five thousand."

Mr. Sitton moved to insert "ten thousand."

Mr. Clark moved to insert "fifteen thousand."

The vote then being taken upon filling the blank with "fifteen thousand;"

Was decided in the negative.

The question then being to fill the blank with "ten thousand ;

Was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Medley moved to print three thousand additional copies in the German language ;

Which was decided in the negative.

Petitions, memorials and remonstrances being in order,

Mr. Burnet presented a petition to incorporate the town of Newark, in Andrew county ;

Which was, on his motion, referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Burnet, Donelan and Kelly.

Mr. Burnet, also, presented a petition to change the name of Newark, in Andrew county ;

Which was, on his motion, referred to the same committee.

Mr. Brown, of St. Louis, presented two memorials, with reference to contested elections ; which,

On motion of Mr. Blair,

Were referred to Committee on Elections.

Mr. Donelan presented a petition from J. R. Allen & Co., to erect a mill dam across Big Tarkio ;

Which was, on his motion, referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Donelan, Kelly, and Burnet.

Mr. Moseley presented a memorial upon the subject of Swamp Lands ;

Which was, on his motion, referred to the Committee on Swamp Lands.

Mr. McClain, of St. Clair, on leave, offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the Superintendent of Public Buildings, be directed to furnish Samuel J. Finch, Sergeant-at-Arms of this House, a room in the Capitol, during the present General Assembly.

Mr. Darby, on leave, called up Senate memorial to Congress, asking a grant of land, for school purposes, in township sixty-seven;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Kelly presented a petition, for leave to erect a dam across Nodaway river;

Which was, on his motion, referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Kelly, Doelman and Barnett.

Mr. Wyatt, presented the petition of Jesse R. Allen, to erect a dam across Little Tarkio;

Which was, on his motion, referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Wyatt, Kelly and Harding.

Mr. Jeffress, presented a petition of Benjamin Anderson, praying to be released from certain disabilities imposed on him;

Which was, on his motion, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Moseley, presented a petition, to establish a ferry across the Mississippi, at Point Pleasant;

Which was, on his motion, referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Moseley, Moore and Goode.

Mr. Garth, on leave offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Commissioner of the Permanent Seat of Government, is hereby requested to deliver to the Door-keeper of the House of Representatives, the keys to the basement rooms, which have been prepared for the use of committees.

Resolved, That the Door-keeper of the House of Representatives, is hereby prohibited from permitting any person whatsoever, to occupy said rooms as sleeping apartments or otherwise, and that he shall keep the same locked and reserved especially and exclusively for the use of the several committees.

Mr. McAfee, on leave, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, By the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein, that when the House adjourns on Tuesday, the second day of January, 1855, they will adjourn to meet at St. Louis, on the 11th day of January, 1855;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when

Mr. Medley, moved to amend by inserting "the mouth of Cliff Creek," instead of St. Louis.

Mr. Mothersead, moved to amend the amendment by inserting "St. Joseph."

On motion of Mr. Rollins, the resolution, together with the amendments, was laid upon the table.

Mr. Hardeman, on leave, introduced a bill for the relief of Mr. Dysart, late sheriff of Saline county;

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Reid, on leave, introduced a bill, entitled, an act to amend an act incorporating the city of Independence;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Jeffress offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That it shall not be necessary to spread upon the Journals, reports of the committees of the House, communications made to the House by the different departments of the Government or other public documents, but all such papers shall be carefully preserved by the Clerk, unless otherwise ordered. They shall be printed in the Appendix to the Journal, bound up, and distributed therewith, and it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State, to certify to the Auditor of Public Accounts, the amount due for furnishing such reports, &c., under the general law, by the Clerk of the House.

Mr. Darnes, on leave, called up bill entitled,

An act exempting the homestead from execution and sale;

Which was read a second time, and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Darnes, Bogy and Todd.

On motion of Mr. Frost, the regular order of business was passed over.

Mr. Goode introduced a bill entitled,

An act regulating interest;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Goode, Doniphan, of C., and Todd.

Mr. Britton, introduced a bill in relation to the apportionment of the State School moneys:

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Britton, Minor, Jeffress, Bean, and Doniphan, of Clay.

On motion of Mr. Gilstrap, the Governor's message was referred to the standing committees, in the following order:

So much as relates to the financial condition of the State, and means of improving the same, to the Committee on Ways and Means.

So much as relates to the Bank of Missouri and banking, to the Committee on the Bank.

So much as relates to Internal Improvements, to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

So much as relates to the Geological Survey of the State, to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

So much as relates to the Penitentiary, to the Committee on the Penitentiary.

So much as relates to the State University, to the Committee on Education.

So much as relates to the Deaf and Dumb and the Lunatic Asylums, and Institutions for the education of the Blind, to the Committee on the Lunatic Asylum.

So much as relates to Common Schools, to the Committee on Education.

So much as relates to Swamp Lands, to Committee on the Swamp Lands.

So much as relates to Saline Lands, to the Committee on Public Salines.

So much as relates to Agricultural Fairs, to the Committee on Agriculture.

So much as relates to official salaries, to the Committee on Ways and Means.

So much as relates to the Supreme Court, to the Committee on the Judiciary.

So much as relates to Public Printer, to the Committee on Public Printing.

So much as relates to a Railroad to the Pacific, the Telegraph Line thereto, and our relations to our sister States, and the Territories of the United States, to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Mr. Boyd introduced a bill "to incorporate the Collegiate Institute of Learning, in South-west Missouri;"

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when

Mr. Smith, of S., moved to refer the bill to the Committee on Corporations;

Which motion was rejected.

The bill was then,

On motion of Mr. Morrow, read a third time and passed.

The calling of the ayes and nays being dispensed with,

Mr. Hardin introduced a bill, entitled an act supplementary to the act, entitled an act to incorporate the Callaway Mining and Manufacturing Company, approved February 16th, 1847;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Gilstrap moved that the House adjourn until 10 o'clock, Monday morning;

Which motion was decided in the negative.

Mr. Brown, of N., introduced a bill, entitled,

An act to authorize the county court of Nodaway county to borrow a certain amount of road and canal fund, and for other purposes;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Frost moved that the House adjourn until 9 o'clock, Monday morning;

Which was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Isbell,

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Burnes gave notice that he would on Monday or some day thereafter, introduce a bill to incorporate the Platte Country Railroad, and aid in the construction of the same.

Mr. Burnes introduced a bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the Weston and Clinton County Railroad Company;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Hill introduced a bill entitled,

An act to organize the county of Calhoun;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Hill, Frost and Webb.

Mr. Shambaugh introduced a bill to pay petit jurors in DeKalb county; Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Webb,

Resolved, That the Committee on Elections be and are hereby instructed

to report a bill regulating elections by ballot, as a general law in this State.

On motion of Mr. Harrison,

Resolved, That the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence be instructed to inquire into the expediency and constitutionality of altering the criminal laws of the State, so as to make an attempt to commit a rape on any white woman, by any slave or free negro or mulatto, a capital offense.

Mr. Holmes introduced a bill entitled,

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act concerning merchants and grocers, approved February 23rd, 1858;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. McCary introduced a bill entitled,

An act to re-enact and amend an act entitled, an act to establish Probate Courts in the counties of Greene, Polk, Barry, Newton and Cedar, approved February 11th, 1847;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Barrett introduced a bill entitled,

An act to amend the law for the levying and collecting the revenue;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and two hundred copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Doniphan, of P., introduced a bill entitled,

An act amendatory of an act to provide for the Weston Marine Insurance Company, approved February 27th, 1851;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Doniphan, of P., Dorris and Burnes.

Mr. Mothersead called up bill entitled,

An act fixing the pay of civil officers;

Which was read a second time, referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Williams, of H., introduced a bill to provide for the election of County Treasurer, in Henry county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. Hughes,

Resolved, By the House of Representatives of the State of Missouri, that the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the propriety and expediency of enacting a general jury law, allowing compensation to petit jurors as well as grand jurors, and also a general probate law, applicable to all the counties where there may be established probate courts.

Mr. Monroe, Chairman of the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of a portion of the citizens of Linn county, reported by bill entitled,

An act to attach a certain portion of Linn county to Livingston county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Britton, Chairman of the select committee, to whom was referred a bill in relation to the apportionment of State school moneys, reported

the same back to the House, with the following amendments and recommended its passage:

Strike out sections three and four and insert in lieu thereof, as follows:

Sec. 3. The Commissioners of Common Schools in the several counties which have received no part of the school money, or only a portion thereof, set apart from the revenue of the year 1853, shall report to the Superintendent of Common Schools, on or before the first day of May, 1855, the school township or townships that were organized, and the number of children in each, over the age of five and under the age of twenty years, on the first day of December, 1853.

Sec. 4. The Secretary of State is hereby required to forward a copy of this act to the Superintendent of Common Schools, and each of the County School Commissioners, immediately after its passage.

This act shall take effect from its passage.

Which was read a first and second time and agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Wall introduced a bill entitled,

An act amendatory of an act to establish justices courts and regulate proceedings therein, approved March 10th, 1845;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Justices of the Peace.

Mr. McCary introduced a bill entitled,

An act to pay petit-jurors in Barry county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. McMurtry introduced a bill entitled,

An act for the benefit of C. Freeman;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Kelly introduced a bill entitled,

An act authorizing William Zook and James Duncan to erect a dam across Nodaway river, in Andrew and Holt counties;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Hardin,

Resolved, That the Committee on Revised and Unfinished Business, be instructed to report to this House, at their earliest convenience, certain bills referred to this General Assembly, by the last, and known by the following titles:

An act concerning free negroes and mulattos;

An act for the relief of James Shankers, of Callaway county; and an act amendatory of an act entitled, an act concerning guardians, curators and minors, approved March 3rd, 1845;

Mr. Phillips introduced a bill entitled,

An act to amend the school laws;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Jeffress introduced a bill to repeal an act entitled,

An act to incorporate the town of Union, in Franklin county, Missouri, approved February 15th, 1851;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Shambagh introduced a bill entitled,
 An act to change the mode of voting in DeKalb county ;
 Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and
 referred to the Committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. Jeffress;

The House adjourned until 10 o'clock, A. M., Tuesday.

TUESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 2, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

The Speaker laid before the House a report of the Boatmen's Savings Institution :

Which was, on motion, laid on the table, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that House bill of the following title has passed the Senate :

An act for the relief of the collectors of the revenue.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate :

An act in relation to soda and ale bottlers;

An act for the relief of certain purchasers of school land, in Scotland county;

Joint resolutions in relation to the duty upon railroad iron.

On motion of Mr. Blair, bill entitled,

An act exempting the homestead from execution and sale;

Was taken up, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Bogy,

Messrs. Blair and Lewis, of C., were added to the select committee, to which said bill was referred.

Mr. Brown, of J., introduced a bill entitled,

A bill to establish a State road in the counties of Jefferson, Franklin and Washington;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Also, a bill entitled,

An act to authorize the county court of Jefferson county to loan money;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Boyd introduced a bill entitled,

An act to repeal so much of an act entitled, an act to facilitate the

improvement of the navigation of White river, approved March 3rd, 1851, as relates to Greene county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Frost introduced a bill entitled,

An act to amend an act entitled, an act for the organization, support, and government of Common Schools in the State of Missouri, approved February 24th, 1853;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, referred to the Committee on Education, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Barrett introduced a bill entitled,

A bill for the benefit of the Law Library Association, of St. Louis;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, a bill entitled,

An act to pay witnesses in St. Louis county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Bean introduced a bill entitled,

An act incorporating the Monroe county Agricultural and Mechanical Society;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Blair introduced a bill entitled,

A bill to incorporate the Belcher Sugar Refining Company;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Bohannon introduced a bill entitled,

An act to pay petit jurors;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Bullock introduced a bill entitled,

An act to amend an act, entitled an act to regulate conveyances;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and two hundred copies ordered to be printed.

Also, a bill entitled,

An act amendatory to an act, assessing and collecting State and county revenue;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and two hundred copies ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Bean,

Resolved, That the standing Committee on Agriculture be instructed to inquire into the expediency:

First. Of so amending the act incorporating the Missouri State Agricultural Society, as to require its annual fairs to be held alternately in different sections of the State.

Second. If such an amendment be deemed inexpedient or impracticable, then, as to the expediency of dividing the State into convenient geographical districts, with a view of organizing Agricultural Societies in

each district, and providing for an annual appropriation out of the State Treasury, for the encouragement and support of the same.

Third. If the matter of the second proposition, be deemed impracticable, then as to the propriety of making a small appropriation, to be paid annually out of the State Treasury, for the encouragement and support of County Agricultural and Mechanical Societies; that the Committee report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. McCarty offered the following resolution:

Resolved, By the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein, that the two Houses will meet in the Hall of the House of Representatives, in joint session, on the fourth day of January, 1855, at the hour of 11 o'clock on that day, for the purpose of electing a Senator in Congress, from the State of Missouri, for six years from the fourth of March, 1855;

Which was read a first time, and, under the rule, lays over.

On motion of Mr. Blair,

Resolved, That five thousand copies of the report of the Superintendent of the Asylum for the Blind, at St. Louis, be printed.

On motion of Mr. Webb,

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Mothersead, from the committee appointed by the Governor, to examine and settle with the Treasurer and Auditor, and for other purposes, made a report;

Which was read, and on motion, five hundred copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Mothersead also offered the following concurrent resolutions:

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and passed.

Resolved, By the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein, that the committee appointed by the Governor, to settle with the Auditor and Treasurer, shall, as soon as convenient, burn all the wolf-scalp certificates in the Treasurer's office, received by the Treasurer, prior to the first day of October, 1854, and counted by said committee.

Bills of the following titles were introduced and severally disposed of as follows:

By Mr. Brown, of St. Louis:

An act to incorporate the St. Louis Six Penny Savings' Institution;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Burnet:

An act to change the name of Newark, in the county of Andrew;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same:

An act for the benefit of the heirs of Clinton Young;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Burnes :

An act to locate a State road from Weston to Kickapoo Ferry, in Platte county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same :

An act to amend an act to incorporate the Platte Country Railroad Company, and to expedite the construction of said railroad ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements, and two hundred copies ordered to be printed.

By Mr. Clark :

An act to repeal an act, to provide for laying out roads and highways in the several counties of this State, approved March 3d, 1851 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

By Mr. Cunningham :

An act to exempt from taxation, certain lands, sold by the State of Missouri ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Darby :

An act to graduate and reduce the price of the State Lands, to actual settlers and cultivators ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on State Lands.

Mr. Dorriess, from the Committee on Revised and Unfinished Business, reports bill entitled ;

An act concerning free negroes and mulattos ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

By the same :

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act concerning guardians, curators and minors, approved March 3d, 1845 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Brown, of St. Louis, the vote on referring the bill to pay civil officers, was re-considered, and the bill was then referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Messrs. Brown, of St. Louis, Motherhead and Smith, of P.

On motion of Mr. Clark,

Resolved, By the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein, that his Excellency the Governor, be requested to order a Federal salute to be fired on the morning of the 8th inst., in commemoration of the brave officers and soldiers, who so nobly displayed their valor at the battle of New Orleans, on the 8th of January, 1815, under their gallant leader, Maj. Gen. Andrew Jackson.

Mr. Darby offered the following resolution :

Resolved, The Senate concurring, that the two Houses go into joint session, at two of the clock, P. M., on the third day of January, 1846, for the purpose of electing a Public Printer;

Which was read a first time, and, under the rule, lays over.

Mr. Davis, Chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the claims of Burton McGhee, to a seat in this House, submitted a report, adverse to such claim.

Mr. McClain, of St. C., moved to reject the first clause of the report of said Committee;

Which motion was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being called for by Mr. Reid:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Barrett, Bogy, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dorriass, Dyer, Everett, Fant, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Holmes, Houghton, Howell, Jackson, Jennings, Jones, Layton, Lewis of C., McAfee, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McFall, McFarland, McMahan, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monro, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Parcells, Phillips, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of B., Standiford, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, and Williams, of D.—61.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Bean, Blair, Bohannon, Bradford Britton, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnet, Clark, Cunningham, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Hill, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Kelly, Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, McCarty, McColloch, McMurtry, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. Louis, Todd, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats, and Mr. Speaker—56.

Absent—Messrs. Brown, of St. L., Buford, Darnes, Harris, Murray, and Tucker.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

Sick—Messrs. King, McSpadden, and Smith, of B.

Mr. Bogy offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Burton McGhee be admitted as a member of this Assembly, from the county of McDonald, and that he be now sworn as such;

Which resolution was rejected by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Field:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Bogy, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dorriass, Dyer, Everett, Fant, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Houghton, Howell, Jackson, Jennings, Jones, Layton, Lewis, of C., McAfee, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McFarland, McMahan, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monro, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley,

Mothenshead, Murray, Parcells, Phillips, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Standiford, Tucker, Wall, Whitaker, White, and Williams, of D.—57.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Bohannon, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnet, Clark, Cunningham, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hill, Holmes, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Kelly, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McColloch, McFall, McMurtry, Mott, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sisson, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Todd, Webb, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats, and Mr. Speaker—63.

Absent—Messrs. Brown, of St. L., Buford, and Powers.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

Sick—Messrs. King, McSpadden, and Smith, of B.

On motion of Mr. McClain, of St. Clair,

Resolved, That the committee on Accounts of the House of Representatives, be instructed to audit and allow the account of Burton McGhee, for mileage and compensation as if a member of this House, up to the present day, and that the same be paid out of the contingent fund of the House.

Mr. Frost moved to adjourn until 10 o'clock, to-morrow morning; Which motion was rejected.

On motion of Mr. Barrett,

The House adjourned until 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 3, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.
Prayer by Rev. Mr. Fackler.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER : I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that House bills of the following titles have passed the Senate :

An act to authorize W. Zook and J. Duncan to erect a dam across Nodaway river in Andrew and Holt counties ;

An act to authorize the county court of Nodaway county to borrow a certain amount of the road and canal fund, and for other purposes ;

An act to repeal an act entitled, an act to incorporate the town of Union, in Franklin county, Missouri, approved February 15, 1851;

An act to attach a certain portion of Linn county to Livingston county.

Bills of the following titles have passed the Senate:

An act to incorporate the Springfield Female College;

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act donating swamp lands to the several counties in which they lie.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed:

An act concerning the records of the office of the Recorder, for the county of St. Louis;

An act to adopt William Mathew Tuggle, as lawful heir of James H. Tuggle;

An act to appropriate money.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate:

An act to incorporate the Belcher Sugar Refinery;

An act to incorporate the Fredericktown and Pilot Knob Gravel Road Company;

An act to authorize the guardian of Oscar L. Peake, to sell certain lands in Howard county, and for other purposes.

An act to accept and apply a grant of land to the Cairo and Fulton Railroad, and to expedite the construction of the same.

Also, joint resolution of the following title:

Constitutional amendment, to abolish the eighth article of the Constitution of Missouri.

The Speaker laid before the House, the report of the Treasurer;

Which was, on motion of Mr. Minor, laid on the table, and five thousand copies ordered to be printed, for the use of the House, and one hundred copies additional for the use of the Treasurer.

On motion of Mr. Doniphan, of Clay, one hundred copies of the Treasurer's report, was ordered to be printed for the use of Treasurers of other States, to be neatly stitched and covered.

Bills of the following titles were introduced and severally disposed of as follows:

By Mr. Donelan:

An act for the benefit of John R. Williams, of Andrew county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Donelan, Burnet, and Hardin.

Also, an act to authorize P. R. Allen & Company to erect a dam across Tarkio river;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Doniphan, of Clay:

A bill for the relief of Joseph T. Field;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Also, a bill to incorporate the Sugar Tree Grove Academy;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes, was, on motion, dispensed with.

Mr. Doniphan, of P., from the select committee to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act amendatory of an act, to provide for the Weston Marine Insurance Company, approved February 27th, 1851,

Reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Gilstrap, the bill reported by Mr. Doniphan, of P., from the select committee, was recommitted to the Committee on Corporations.

Bills of the following titles were then introduced, and severally disposed of as follows:

By Mr. Dyer:

An act to legalize the sale of certain school lands, in Warren county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Also, an act to incorporate the German Evangelical Missouri College;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed; the rule requiring the ayes and noes being dispensed with.

By Mr. Everett:

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to provide for the organization, support and government of Common Schools, in the State of Missouri, approved February 24th, 1853;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Education.

Also, a bill to transfer school money of fractional townships;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Farrar:

An act establishing limited partnerships;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time referred to the Committee on Corporations, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

By Mr. Field:

An act to incorporate the Lafayette Branch of the Pacific Railroad;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Also, an act authorizing the county court of Lafayette county, to pay an additional compensation to the County School Commissioner;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Gentry:

An act for the benefit of Edward N. Goward;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Also, a bill to amend the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad Charter;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

By Mr. Gilstrap:

An act to perfect the records of land titles executed by executors, guardians, curators, administrators and other persons, in pursuance of an order, judgment or decree of the Mason Probate Court;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also, An act to change the names of Elizabeth Ann Dillion, Andrew Jackson Dillion, Francis Marion Dillion, Armilda Catharine Dillion and Mary Ann Dillion;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Goode:

A bill to amend an act entitled, an act to provide for electing a Public Printer;

Which was read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Blair, rejected by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Frost:

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Burnet, Clark, Cunningham, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Howell, Hughes, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McCulloch, McFall, McMahan, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—71.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Lewis, of St. L., McAfee, McFarland, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monroe, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Wall, Webb, Whitaker and White—49.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Morgan, Parcells, and Smith, of B., and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

Sick—Mr. King.

On motion of Mr. Doniphan, of P.,

Resolved, By the House of Representatives of the State of Missouri, that the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence be instructed to inquire into the expediency of allowing compensation from the State, to the owners of slaves, which may be executed under the criminal law of the State.

Mr. Frost offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the regular hour of meeting of the House shall be 9 A. M., and 2 o'clock, P. M., until otherwise ordered by the House.

Mr. Field moved to strike out "nine" and insert "ten;"

Which was decided in the negative.

The resolution was then adopted.

On motion of Mr. Goode,
Messrs. Blair and Bogy, were added to the select committee to whom
was referred a bill entitled,

An act regulating interest.

On motion of Mr. Smith, of S.,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Graves offered the following resolution:

Resolved, By the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein, that the two Houses meet in joint session, in the Hall of the House of Representatives, at 11 o'clock, A. M., on Friday next, the fifth instant, for the purpose of electing a Public Printer, and United States Senator;

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. Bogy moved a division of the question; that all the resolution, except the United States Senator, be read a second time;

Which motion was decided in the negative.

Bills of the following titles were introduced and severally disposed of, as follows:

By Mr. Green, of F.:

An act to pay the justices of the county courts of Jefferson and Franklin counties;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Farrar:

An act in relation to Public Parks and Squares in St. Louis county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee, consisting of the members of the House from the county of St. Louis.

By Mr. Green, of L.:

An act to amend an act entitled, an act concerning grand and petit jurors in the county of Cooper, so far as said act applies to the county of Lewis;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Hardeman:

An act for the benefit of the heirs of Jacob B. Fisher, deceased, late of Saline county, Missouri;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended; read a second time, and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Hardeman, Shambaugh and Neill.

Mr. Hardin, from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of James M. Davis;

Reported by bill entitled,

An act to authorize the sale of certain lands in the county of Callaway;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Harrison, from the Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the petition of William George, executor of the estate of Benjamin Young, deceased ;

Reported by bill entitled,

An act for the benefit of the executor of Benjamin Young, deceased ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Hill introduced a bill entitled,

An act for the benefit of the heirs of Larkin Bates, deceased ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Harrison, Senate bill entitled,

An act to appropriate money ;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Guitar, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Speaker be, and he is hereby authorized to employ such additional assistant clerks, as may be necessary to expedite the business of the House.

Mr. Reid moved the rejection of the resolution ;

Which motion was decided in the negative.

The resolution was then adopted.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the first and second annual reports of Professor George C. Swallow, State Geologist.

On motion of Mr. Blair, the said reports were laid upon the table.

Mr. Guitar offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That two thousand copies of the Annual Reports of the State Geologist be published in a neat and substantial manner, and that Prof. George C. Swallow be, and is hereby appointed agent, to superintend the publication of the same, with such maps and engravings as may be necessary to illustrate said report, and without extra charge for said services.

On motion of Mr. Bean the resolution was amended by striking out "two thousand," and inserting "five thousand" in lieu thereof.

Mr. Gilstrap moved to lay the resolution and reports on the table ;

Which was decided in the negative.

Mr. Rollins moved to amend the resolution by inserting after the words "State Geologist," in the second line, "two hundred and fifty of which shall be left with the Secretary of State, for distribution, and that two hundred copies be for the use of Prof. Swallow ;"

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Murray moved that the printing of the reports be done by Chambers & Knapp, of St. Louis.

Mr. Moore moved to lay the resolution, together with the reports, on the table, until to-morrow ;

Which was decided in the negative.

The question then recurring on the motion of Mr. Murray ;

It was decided in the negative.

The resolution as amended, was then adopted.

On motion of Mr. Hardeman,

Resolved, 1st. That all bills now before this House, or that may here-

after be introduced, concerning mulattoes, free negroes or slaves, be referred to the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

Resolved, 2nd. That said Committee take into consideration all acts or parts of acts relating to slaves, and report such amendments, as to them may seem necessary, to the present condition of slaves, and the slave interest of this State.

On motion of Mr. Hardin,

Resolved, That the Committee on Corporations be instructed to report a general bill; whereby County Home Mutual Fire Insurance Companies, may organize, and become incorporated.

On motion of Mr. Heryford,

Resolved, That the Committee on Roads and Highways, be requested to take into consideration, the propriety of the State constructing all bridges on State roads, crossing living streams, where the same shall cost five hundred dollars and upwards, and that they report the same by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Blair moved that the House adjourn until ten o'clock, to-morrow; Which was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Blair,

The House adjourned.

THURSDAY MORNING, JANUARY 4.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by J. A. Holliday, Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed to inform the House of Representatives that bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed:

A bill to incorporate Belcher's Sugar Refinery;

An act to abolish Jones' addition to the town of Memphis;

A bill relating to the resurvey of the town of Shelbyville, the county seat of Shelby county;

An act for the relief of certain purchasers of school lands;

An act authorizing the erection of Weighing Scales on the Gravois road in the county of St. Louis;

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate:

A bill to amend an act entitled, an act concerning crimes and their punishments, approved March 27th, 1845;

An act to incorporate the St. Louis Saving Institution;

House bills of the following titles have passed the Senate:

An act to change the name of the town of Newark, in the county of Andrew;

An act to locate a State road from Weston to Kickapoo Ferry, in Platte county;

An act to repeal so much of an act entitled, an act to facilitate the improvement of the navigation of White river, approved March 3d, 1851, as relates to Greene county.

Concurrent resolution, requesting the Governor to order a Federal Salute to be fired on the 8th day of January;

Concurrent Senate resolutions, providing for the adoption of joint rules, for the government of the two Houses;

Were taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and concurred in.

Whereupon, the Speaker appointed the following committee from the House, to join a similar committee on the part of the Senate, to frame and report to their respective Houses, joint rules for the government of the two Houses, Messrs. Rollins, Gentry and Goode.

On motion of Mr. McCarty, the joint resolution offered by him on Tuesday, was taken up, and,

On motion of Mr. Reid, the word "eleven," was stricken out, and the word "two," inserted.

The resolution, as amended, was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Frost moved to reconsider the vote taken on yesterday, to print five thousand copies of the reports of the State Geologist.

Mr. Blair moved to lay the motion of Mr. Frost on the table;

Which was decided in the negative, by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded:

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Blair, Breckinridge, Clark, Davis, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Guitar, Hardin, Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McFall, McMurtry, Morgan, Powers, Pratt, Rollins and Sitton—21.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Bean, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Britton, Brown, of Jefferson, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnett, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Gravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Gilestrapp, Goode, Green, of F., Graves, Green, of L., Harris, Hardeman, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Houghton, Howell, Hughes, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McAfee, McCary, McFarland, McMahan, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monroe, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Parcels, Patrick, Phillips, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Wall, Whitaker, Webb, White, Williams, of D., Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—92.

Absent—Messrs. Bradford, Cunningham, Doniphan, of P., Harding, Harris, McCulloch, Mothersead, Shelton, and Smith, of P.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

Sick—Mr. King.

The question then being upon the motion to reconsider the vote taken on yesterday, was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Minor, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the resolution be referred to the Committee on Printing, with instructions to inquire into the cost of printing two thousand copies of the reports of the Geological Survey of the State of Missouri; also the cost of the work, with maps or cuts.

Mr. Brady, offered the following substitute, which was,

On motion of Mr. Minor, laid on the table.

Resolved, That Prof. Swallow be requested to calculate the cost of printing reports, per copy, and to furnish this House, as soon as practicable, the estimated cost of such.

The question then being on the adoption of the resolution, was decided in the affirmative.

Bills of the following titles, were introduced and severally disposed of as follows:

By Mr. Holmes :

An act to amend the 26th section of an act entitled, an act to regulate fees, approved March 27th, 1845 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, referred to the Committee on Justices of the Peace, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

By Mr. Hughes :

An act relating to certain Swamp Lands in Missouri ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Swamp Lands.

Also, an act relating to certain lands, sold by the State of Missouri ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on State Lands.

By Mr. Isbell :

An act authorizing Lucinda Seals, Executrix of Coleman Seals, late of the county of Osage, to sell certain real estate ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Jeffress :

An act for the relief of David Bollman, of Franklin county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Also, An act to amend an act entitled, an act to provide for the organization, support and government of common schools in the State of Missouri, approved February 24th, 1853 ;

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. McAfee moved its rejection ;

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being called for by Mr. Howell :

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Bradford, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnet, Chilton, Clipard, Crosswhite, Gravens, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Dorries, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardin, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jones, Kelly, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McAfee, McCarty, McClain, of St. Clair, McFall, McFarland, McMahan, McMurtry, Melley, Minor, Moore, Monroe, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Murray, Neill, Parcells, Phillips, Powers, Reid, Ritchey,

Roberts, Shambaugh, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of S., Standiford, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., Wyatt and Yeats—79.

NOES—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blair, Boyd, Brady, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of St. Louis, Burnes, Clark, Cunningham, Drake, Ewing, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Garth, Gentry, Green, of F., Hardeman, Hughes, Jeffress, Jennings, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McCulloch, Mothersead, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Rollins, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Todd, Tucker and Mr. Speaker—38.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Doniphan, of P., Gilstrap, Guitar, Heryford, Morgan and Shelton.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

Sick—Messrs. King and McSpadden.

Mr. Rollins, from the select committee appointed to draft rules for the government of the joint session, made the following report, which was adopted :

MR. SPEAKER : The Joint Committee appointed on the part of the Senate and House of Representatives to frame rules for the government of the two Houses, have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report, recommending the adoption of the joint rules adopted at the last session for the government of the two Houses, as printed on pages 382 and 383, House Journal, 1853.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER : The Senate has concurred in House resolution entitled, Concurrent resolution, providing for going into the election of United States Senator.

On motion of Mr. Burnes,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Bean, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles :

Joint resolution instructing our members in Congress ;

An act for the relief of the collectors of the Revenue ;

An act to attach a certain portion of Linn county to Livingston co. ;

An act to erect a mill-dam across Nodaway river ;

An act to repeal an act to incorporate the town of Union, in Franklin county ;

An act to authorize the county court of Nodaway county to borrow money.

Pursuant to previous notice, the Senate, accompanied with their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate then took the Chair, and after stating the purpose for which the Houses had met in joint session, announced that nominations for United States Senator were then in order; when,

Mr. Coffee, of the Senate, nominated David R. Atchison.

Mr. Kelly, of the House, nominated Thomas H. Benton.

Mr. McCarty, of the House nominated A. W. Doniphan.

No other nominations being made and the roll of the House being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison	56
For Mr. Benton.....	41
For Mr. Doniphan.....	57
For Mr. Wilson, of Andrew.....	1

The members of the House voted as follows:

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Boggy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Barnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorriess, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Motherhead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams of D.—43.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffers, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, Layton, Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McFall, McColloch, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. Louis and Standiford—33.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Wall, Wyatt, Williams, of H., Yeats and Mr. Speaker—47.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

Absent—Mr. Buford.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

Sick—Mr. King.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses proceeded to the second ballot, which resulted as follows:

For Mr. Atchison	57
For Mr. Benton	40
For Mr. Doniphan.....	57
For Mr. Wilson, of Andrew.....	1

The members of the House voted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorriess, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Minor, Monroe, Motherhead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of Sullivan, Webb, Whitaker, White, and Williams, of D.—43.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClellan, of St. C., McCulloch, McFall, Morgan, Marrow, Mett, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Sisson, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—23.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Behannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnett, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of O., Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Moseley, Neill, Navill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Wall, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—47.

For Mr. Wilson, of Andrew—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

Absent—Mr. Buford.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

Sick—Mr. King.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses proceeded to a third ballot, which resulted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison.....	57
For Mr. Benton.....	40
For Mr. Doniphan.....	56
For Mr. Wilson, of A.....	1
For Mr. Watkins.....	1

The members of the House voted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens,

Polson, Darby, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monro, Mothersead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of Sullivan, Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—43.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jfferess, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—33.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guita, Harrison, Harding, Haideman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McCary, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Moeley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—46.

For Mr. Wilson, of Andrew—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

For Mr. Watkins—Mr. Wall.

Absent—Mr. Buford.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

Sick—Mr. King.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses proceeded to a fourth ballot, which resulted as follows:

For Mr. Atchison.....	57
For Mr. Benton.....	40
For Mr. Doniphan.....	57
For Mr. Wilson, of Andrew.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monro, Mothersead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—43.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jackson,

Jeffress Jennings, Jones, Kelly, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—33.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats, and Mr. Speaker—47.

For Mr. Wilson, of Andrew—Mr. Doniphan, of Clay.

Absent—Mr. Buford.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

Sick—Mr. King.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses were about to proceed to a fifth ballot, when,

On motion of Mr. Acock, of the House, the joint session took a recess until two o'clock, P. M., to-morrow.

The Senate then retired to their Chamber, and the Speaker resumed the chair, when,

On motion of Mr. Kelly, leave was granted to withdraw the report of the Lunatic Asylum.

The Speaker laid before the House, a communication from the Secretary of State, enclosing the report of the State University, when,

On motion of Mr. Rollins, the report was laid on the table, and three hundred copies ordered to be printed, and referred to the Committee on Education.

The Speaker also laid before the House, a report of the Inspectors of the Penitentiary, which was,

On motion of Mr. Acock, laid on the table, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

The following bills were introduced and severally disposed of as follows:

By Mr. Jennings:

An act to view, mark out and locate a State road, in Taney, Stone and Barry counties;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Jones:

An act to authorize the several county courts of this State to sell the swamp and overflowed lands;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, ordered to be engrossed, referred to the Committee on Swamp Lands, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

By Mr. Kelly:

An act to authorize Nathan and Philander Johnson, to erect a dam across Big Torkio river ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Lewis, of C. :

An act to authorize Isaac Grey to keep a ferry across the Des Moines river, at the town of Athens, in the county of Clark ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, ordered to be engrossed, and to be read a third time on Wednesday next.

By Mr. Lewis, of St. L. :

An act relating to changes of venue in criminal cases, in St. Louis county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Also, An act to incorporate the St. Louis Ice Company, of St. Louis;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Lightner:

An act to create Loan and Fund Associations and to extend the benefits thereof ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also, An act to incorporate the Missouri and California Overland Mail and Transportation Company ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, referred to the Committee on Corporations, and two hundred copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Jones offered the following as an amendment to the Constitution :

Resolved, By the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, that the tenth section, of the third article of the Constitution of the State of Missouri, be so amended, as to allow each qualified voter the privilege of voting, when he shall have resided in the State six months, next before an election ;

Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. McAfee, one hundred and fifty copies of the amendment of the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad Charter were ordered to be printed.

The Speaker, under the resolution of yesterday, announced the appointment of Aikman Welch and Joseph A. Fenley, as assistant clerks of the House.

On motion of Mr. Barrett,

The House adjourned.

FRIDAY MORNING, JANUARY 5, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that House bills of the following titles have passed the Senate:

An act to amend an act incorporating the City of Independence;

An act to authorize J. R. Allen & Co., to erect a dam across Turkio river;

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed:

An act to change a portion of a State road leading from Memphis, in the direction of Keasauqua;

Joint resolution to provide for fitting up a room in the office of the Secretary of State.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate:

A bill to incorporate the Dime Saving's Bank of St. Louis;

Joint resolutions prescribing certain duties of the Commissioner of the Permanent Seat of Government;

A bill to authorize James Owen, of Dade county, to peddle without a license.

Mr. Bean, from the Committee on Printing, to whom was referred the duty of inquiring into the cost of printing two thousand copies of Prof. Swallow's reports, upon the Geological Survey of the State, have had the same under consideration, and report the same back to the House, with the estimated cost of said reports, for the consideration of the House.

On motion of Mr. Bean, the resolution offered by Mr. Guitar, relating to the Geological Survey of the State, was taken up.

Mr. Bean then offered the following substitute:

Resolved, As the sense of this House, first, that we deem it impolitic to print Prof. Swallow's reports on the Geological Survey of the State, without the maps, diagrams, &c., accompanying the same.

Second, That we deem it inexpedient to print said reports, with the accompanying maps, &c., before the survey is completed, and a general and final report be made.

Third, That from the character of the reports, with the maps, &c., accompanying them, we are of the opinion, that the work of survey is committed to safe and judicious hands, and that a further appropriation should be made, to carry on the work of survey to completion.

Fourth, That the Committee on Ways and Means be instructed to report a bill, making such appropriation, out of the treasury, as it may be deemed expedient to carry on the work of survey.

Fifth, That Prof. Swallow be requested to lay before the House, at his earliest convenience, a synopsis of his report, showing how far the work has progressed, together with a brief statement of such matters connected therewith, as he may deem of interest to the present General Assembly.

Mr. Gilstrap moved to adjourn;

Which motion was decided in the negative.

Mr. Rollins moved to lay the resolution, together with the substitute on the table;

Which motion was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being called for by Mr. Frost.

AYES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Barrett, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darby, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Dorriss, Dyer, Ewing, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Garth, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Houghton, Howell, Hughes, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, Medley, Moore, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mothersead, Neill, Nevill, Parcells, Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Ritchey, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Todd, Tucker, Wall, Webb, White, Williams, of D., Wyatt, Yeats, and Mr. Speaker—95.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Bean, Britton, Brown, of N., Burnet, Clippard, Darnes, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Everett, Frost, Harding, McAfee, McFarland, Minor, Monroe, Mott, Murray, Neill, Shambaugh, Standiford, Whitaker and Williams, of Henry—28.

Absent—Messrs. Bradford, Buford, Dodson, Heryford, McClain, of St. C. and Roberts.

Absent on leave—Mr. Blakey.

Sick—Messrs. King and McSpadden.

Mr. Todd offered the following resolution:

Resolved, By the House of Representatives, that Professor Swallow, State Geologist, be invited to appear before the House, this evening, or at such other time as may suit his convenience, to answer such inquiries, touching the matters of his reports to the General Assembly, as any member shall see fit to put to him, and that the Senate be invited to attend.

Mr. Reid moved to amend the resolution, after the word "this," in the sixth line, the following, which was accepted by Mr. Todd: "afternoon, at the recess of the joint session."

Mr. Minor offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend the resolution, by striking out, "the adjournment of the joint session," and insert "this evening at seven o'clock;"

Which was, on motion of Mr. Smith, of S., laid on the table.

The resolution as amended, was then adopted.

On motion of Mr. Breckinridge,

Messrs. Britton and Hardeman were added to the Committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Reid,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Davis, from the select committee, to whom was referred the subject of maturing a plan for revising and digesting the laws, as required by the Constitution, report that they have conferred with a similar committee, appointed by the Senate, and that a committee be appointed by the House to confer with the committee on the part of the Senate, to be styled the Committee on Revision, for the purpose of revising the laws.

On motion of Mr. Blair, the report was referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

Mr. Bean, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reports, as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles :

An act to repeal so much of an act entitled, an act to facilitate the improvement of the navigation of White river ;

An act to change the name of Newark, in the county of Andrew ;

An act to view, mark out and locate a State road, from Weston to Kickapoo Ferry, in Platte county.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Stevenson, a Senator :

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate has accepted the invitation of the House to listen to a lecture, to be delivered by Prof. Swallow, State Geologist.

The Senate, accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The joint session then proceeded to the fifth ballot for United States Senator, when, the roll being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison.....	56
For Mr. Benton	40
For Mr. Doniphan	59
For Mr. Wilson, of Andrew.....	1

The members of the House, voted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, Medley, Minor, Moore, Mothersead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of Sullivan, Webb, Whitaker, White, and Williams, of Daviess—42.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McCulloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. Louis and Standiford—33.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—48.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

Absent—Mr. Buford.

Sick—Messrs. King and McSpadden.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses proceeded to a sixth ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison.....	56
For Mr. Benton.....	40
For Mr. Doniphan.....	59
For Mr. Wilson.....	1

The members of House voted as follows:

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, Medley, Minor, Monroe, Mothersead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White, and Williams, of Daviess—42.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of Bollinger, Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—33.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boy Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Wall, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—48.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

Absent—Mr. Buford.

Sick—Messrs. King and McSpadden.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the joint session proceeded to a seventh ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison.....	56
For Mr. Benton.....	40
For Mr. Doniphan.....	59
For Mr. Wilson, of Andrew.....	1

The members of the House voted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Accock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorriess, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, Medley, Minor, Monro, Mothersead, Murray, Parcels, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—42.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape Girardeau, McClain, of St. C., McCulloch, McFall, Morgan, Monro, Mott, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L. and Standiford—33.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—48.

For Mr. Wilson, of A.—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

Absent—Mr. Buford.

Sick—Messrs. King and McSpadden.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the joint session was about to proceed to the eighth ballot, when,

Mr. Zeigler, of the Senate, moved to take a recess until 2 o'clock, to-morrow.

Mr. Blair moved to adjourn *sine die*;

Which was decided in the negative.

The question then being on the motion to take a recess until 2 o'clock, to-morrow;

It was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Rawlins, of the Senate, the joint session took a recess, until 2 o'clock, P. M., to-morrow.

The Senate being present, and the Speaker having taken the Chair

invited Prof. Swallow, State Geologist, to address the members of the two Houses of the General Assembly;

Which he proceeded to do, in a thorough and explicit manner.

On motion of Mr. Darnes, the thanks of the House were tendered to Professor Swallow, State Geologist, for the able and satisfactory manner in which he answered the questions propounded to him.

On motion of Mr. Bogy,

The House adjourned.

SATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 6, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

The Speaker announced the appointment of Mr. William C. Sevier, Assistant Enrolling Clerk of the House.

Mr. Sitton, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles:

An act to amend an act incorporating the City of Independence;

An act to authorize J. R. Allen & Co., to erect a dam across Torkio river.

On motion of Mr. Bean, Senate resolution, entitled,

Joint resolution to provide for fitting up a room near the Secretary of State's office;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

Mr. Bean offered the following amendment, which was agreed to:

Amend by striking out the second resolution, and insert instead thereof, the following:

"Second, That the expense incurred, in fitting up the room specified, be paid out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and that the Auditor of Public Accounts be required to draw his warrant on the treasurer for the amount, when certified to him by the Secretary of State."

The resolution was then read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Hardin the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Mothersead in the Chair, after some time spent therein,

On motion of Mr. Gilstrap, the Committee rose and through their Chairman, Mr. Mothersead, submitted the following report:

MR. SPEAKER: The Committee of the Whole House, have had under consideration the report of the Committee on Conference Revision, and have instructed me to report, that they have made some progress therein, and ask leave to sit again.

The report was agreed to.

The Speaker laid before the House the report of the Superintendent of Common Schools, when,

On motion of Mr. Minor, the report was laid on the table and two thousand copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Hardin laid before the House, the report of the Commissioners of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum, with accompanying reports.

On motion of Mr. McFarland,

Resolved, That five thousand copies of the report be printed for the use of this House, and five hundred copies for the use of the Asylum, and that they be forwarded by the door-keeper.

Mr. Goode, from the Committee appointed by the Governor to examine the Bank of the State of Missouri and its Branches,

Laid before the House the report of said Committee, which was,

On motion of Mr. Daily, laid on the table and two thousand copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Todd, from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the Senate bill, entitled,

A bill to incorporate the Belcher Sugar Refinery ;

Reported the same back to the House and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time.

The question being on suspending the rule to read the bill a third time.

On motion of Mr. Hardin,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Henry S. Turner, member elect from Callaway county, came forward, presented his credentials, was qualified and took his seat.

Mr. Hardeman, from the select committee to whom was referred, House bill entitled,

An act for the benefit of the heirs of Jacob B. Fisher, deceased, late of Saline county ;

Reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Stevenson, a Senator :

Mr. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that bills of the following titles have passed the Senate :

An act to incorporate America Insurance Company ;

An act to incorporate the Fredericktown and Pilot Knob Gravel road Company ;

House bills of the following titles have passed the Senate :

An act to authorize the county court of Jefferson to loan money ;

A bill to incorporate the Collegiate Institute of Learning, of South-West Missouri ;

A bill to incorporate the Sugar Tree Grove Academy ;

An act to legalize the sale of certain school lands in Warren, county ;

An act for regulating the changes of venue in criminal cases in St. Louis county ;

An act for the relief of David Bollmann, of Franklin county ;

An act for the benefit of the Executor of Benjamin Young, deceased ;

An act to incorporate the German Evangelical Missouri College ;

An act to change the names of Elizabeth Ann Dillion, Andrew Jackson Dillion, Francis Marion Dillion, Armilda Catharine Dillion and Mary Ann Dillion ;

An act authorizing the county court of Lafayette county to pay an additional compensation to the County School Commissioner ;

House concurrent resolution entitled,

Concurrent resolution authorizing Committee to burn all the wolf-scalp certificates in the Treasurer's office, has passed the Senate.

Mr. Kelly moved that five thousand copies of the report of the Committee, appointed by the Governor to examine the Bank of the State of Missouri and its Branches be printed, instead of two thousand.

Pending which, the Senate accompanied by its officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The joint session then proceeded to the eighth ballot for United States Senator, when there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison.....	53
For Mr. Benton.....	40
For Mr. Doniphan.....	58
For Mr. Wilson, of A.....	1

The members of the House voted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chulton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorriess, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, Minor, Monroe, Mothershead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of Sullivan, Webb, Whitaker, White, and Williams, of D.—40.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffess, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—33.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats, and Mr. Speaker—49.

For Mr. Wilson, of Andrew—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Hickox and Medley.

Sick—Messrs. King and McSpadden.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses proceeded to a ninth ballot, which resulted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison.....	53
For Mr. Benton	40
For Mr. Doniphan.....	58
For Mr. Wilson, of Andrew.....	1

The members of the House voted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, Minor, Monro, Mothersead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—40.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—33.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Bohannon, Blakey, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Mosley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats, and Mr. Speaker—49.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Hickox and Medley.

Sick—Messrs. King and McSpadden.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses proceeded to the tenth ballot, which resulted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison	53
For Mr. Benton ..	40
For Mr. Doniphan.....	58
For Mr. Wilson, of Andrew.....	1

The members of the House voted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, Minor,

Monro, Mothersead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—40.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McCulloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. Louis and Standiford—33.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghlon, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—49.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Hickox and Medley.

Sick—Messrs. King and McSpadden.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses proceeded to the eleventh ballot, which resulted as follows:

For Mr. Atchison	53
For Mr. Benton.....	40
For Mr. Doniphan.....	58
For Mr. Wilson, of Andrew.....	1

The members of the House voted as follows:

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, Minor, Monro, Mothersead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—40.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McCulloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—33.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry,

Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Hardeman, Harling, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—49.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Hickox and Medley.

Sick—Messrs. King and McSpadden.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses were about to proceed to the twelfth ballot, when,

Mr. Morris, of the Senate, moved that the joint session take a recess until 2 o'clock, P. M., Tuesday;

Which was decided in the negative.

Mr. Frost, of the Senate, moved that the joint session adjourn *sine die*;

Which was decided in the negative.

Mr. Hardin, of the House, moved that the joint session take a recess until 10 o'clock, A. M., Tuesday;

Which was decided in the negative.

Mr. McClain, of St. C., of the House, moved that the joint session take a recess until the first Monday in February;

Which was decided in the negative.

The two Houses then proceeded to the twelfth ballot, which resulted as follows:

For Mr. Atchison.....	54
For Mr. Benton.....	40
For Mr. Doniphan.....	58
For Mr. Wilson	1

The members of the House voted as follows:

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, Minor, Monro, Mothersend, Murray, Parcels, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—40.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffers, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L. and Standiford—33.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry,

Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—49.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Hickox and Medley.

Sick—Messrs. King and McSpadden.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses were about to proceed to the thirteenth ballot, when,

On motion of Mr. Vernon, of the Senate,

The joint session took a recess until 2 o'clock, P. M., Tuesday.

The Senate having retired to their chamber, the Speaker resumed the chair, when,

Mr. Smith, of S., asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hickox.

The question pending at the time of the arrival of the Senate being the motion of Mr. Kelly to print five thousand copies of the Bank Report, was agreed to by the House.

Mr. Burges offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of the House are due, and hereby tendered to the Hon. Nathaniel Motherhead, of Gentry county, for the able, impartial and dignified manner in which he presided over the deliberations of this House during its temporary organization.

On motion of Mr. Moseley,

The House adjourned until 10 o'clock, A. M., Tuesday.

TUESDAY MORNIG, JANUARY 9TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Mr. Bean, from the committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

The committee on Enrolled Bills have examined and found bills of the following titles truly enrolled:

An act for regulating the change of venue in criminal cases in the county of St. Louis;

An act to authorize the county court of Jefferson county to loan money;

An act to authorize the county court of Lafayette county to pay an additional compensation to the county school commissioner;

An act for the relief of David Bollmann;

An act for the benefit of the executor of Benjamin Young, deceased;
 An act to legalize the sale of certain school land in Warren county;
 An act to change the names of Elizabeth Ann Dillion, Andrew Jackson Dillion, Francis Marion Dillion, Armilda Catharine Dillion and Mary Ann Dillion;

Concurrent resolution authorizing committee to burn all the wolf-scalp certificates.

Mr. Smith asked leave of absence for Mr. Phillips.

Bills of the following titles were introduced and severally disposed as follows:

By Mr. McCary,

An act for the benefit of Abednigo Baze, of Barry county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the committee on Claims.

By the same,

An act for the relief of the Sheriff of Lafayette county, Missouri;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. McCarty offered the following resolution:

Resolved, by the House of Representatives of the State of Missouri, that the committee on Elections be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the law regulating elections that at all elections held in this State there shall be but one day set apart for voting.

Mr. Hardin moved to amend as follows, which was accepted:

That the committee inquire into the expediency and report thereon, of changing the time of holding general elections from the first Monday in August, to some time in September or October.

The resolution, as amended, was then passed.

Mr. McLane, of Cape G., offered the following resolution:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein, that our Senators and Representatives in Congress are hereby requested to procure from the President of the United States an order restoring to sale all lands lying north of township line dividing townships Twenty-nine and Thirty, reserved for the Cairo and Fulton Railroad.

Mr. Wall offered the following amendment, which was accepted by Mr. McLane:

Amend so as to read after the word railroad, "And to reserve for the Cairo and Fulton Railroad townships twenty-one, twenty-two, twenty-three, twenty-four and twenty-five north, in range four, five and six, east."

Also, townships twenty-one, twenty-two, twenty-three, twenty-four, twenty-five, twenty-six, twenty-seven and twenty-eight north, in ranges seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen and seventeen, east.

Mr. Holmes moved to amend the amendment by striking out township twenty-seven, range four and five.

Mr. Holmes moved to refer the resolution and amendments to the committee on Internal Improvements;

Which was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Holmes,

The resolution with the amendments was referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. McLane of Cape G., Holmes and Wall.

On motion of Mr. Breckinridge,

Resolved, That three thousand additional copies of the Annual Report of the Superintendent of Common Schools be ordered to be printed for the use of this House, and one hundred and fifty copies for the use of the Superintendent.

On motion of Mr. McLane of Cape G.,

Resolved, That the committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the 35th section of an act entitled, "An act to regulate conveyances," approved March 25th, 1845, so that acknowledgments may be taken before a justice of the peace.

Bills of the following titles were introduced and severally disposed of as follows:

By Mr. McClain, of St. C.,

An act for the improvement of the navigation of the Osage river:

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, ordered to be engrossed, one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed, and referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Blakey, McClain of St. C., and Reid.

By the same,

An act entitled, "An act to repeal so much of an act establishing probate courts in Hickory county as relates to county courts therein ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: The President of the Senate has signed enrolled House bills entitled,

An act to authorize William Zook and James Duncan to erect a dam across Nodaway river;

An act to authorize the county court of Nodaway county to borrow a certain amount of road and canal fund, and for other purposes ;

An act to locate a State road from Weston to Kickapoo Ferry, in Platte county ;

An act to repeal so much of an act entitled, an act to facilitate the improvement of the navigation of White river, approved March 3d, 1851, as relates to Greene county.

An act to repeal an act entitled, an act to incorporate the town of Union, in Franklin county, Missouri, approved February 15, 1851 ;

An act to attach a certain portion of Linn county to Livingston county.

Joint resolutions instructing members in Congress ;

An act for the relief of the collectors of the revenue ;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act incorporating the city of Independence, approved February 23d, 1853 ;

An act to change the name of the town of Newark, in the county of Andrew ;

An act to authorize Jesse R. Allen and others to erect a dam across Big Torkio river ;

The following bills were then introduced and severally disposed of as follows:

By Mr. McColloch :

An act to amend an act concerning ferries ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and passed.

By the same :

An act to amend of an act entitled, an act to provide for the organization, support and government of Common Schools, in the State of Missouri, approved February 24th, 1853;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. McFall :

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to authorize the formation of Railroad Associations and regulate the same ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

By the same :

An act to repeal the thirty-eighth section of the second article of the law upon crimes and their punishments ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. McMahan :

An act to repeal an act entitled, an act for opening and repairing roads and highways, in Andrew county, approved February 24th, 1853 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Medley :

An act for the benefit of Samuel Richardson, of Moniteau ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. McMahan,

Resolved, By the House of Representatives, that the Commissioner of the Permanent Seat of Government be directed to have locks placed upon the drawers of the respective desks of the members.

On motion of Mr. Medley,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Permanent Seat of Government be instructed to inquire into the expediency of purchasing any lots adjoining the Capitol grounds that may be necessary for extending and putting in proper form, said grounds, and that they ascertain for what sum said lots can be purchased ; and also, inquire into the expediency of appropriating a sufficient sum to have said grounds terraced and laid off into walks, and enclosed with a suitable Iron Railing, and have the Capitol Building painted on the outside to preserve it from the action of the weather, and that said Committee report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Medley moved that the House adjourn, which was decided in the negative.

Mr. Minor offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Speaker appoint a committee of three to report to this House the constitutional amendment proposed by the last General Assembly of Missouri, with instructions to report the same with the proof of publication required by the Constitution.

Mr. Blair moved to refer the resolution of Mr. Minor, together with his certificate of election to the Committee on Elections ;

Which motion was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Minor :

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Blair, Breckinridge, Brown, of St.

L., Bullock, Clark, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Fant, Feagan, Field, Green, of F., Hardeman, Hughes, Jeffress, King, Layton, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape Girardeau, McMurtry, Patrick, and Pratt—26.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Bradford, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Burnet, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darty, Darnes, Dodson, Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Farrar, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Harrison, Harding, Hardin, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jennings, Jones, McAfee, McCary, McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, McFarland, McMahan, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monro, Morgan, Morrow, Mossley, Mott, Mothersead, Murray, Nevill, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Webb, Whitaker, Williams, of Daviess, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—86.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Ewing, Guitar, Harris, Kelly, Neill, Phillips, Smith, of P., and Wall.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy and Hickox.

Sick—Messrs. Lewis, of C., Powers, McSpadden and White.

Mr. Acock asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Bogy. The question then being on the adoption of the resolution offered by Mr. Minor.

On motion of Mr. Blakey,
The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The question being on adoption of the resolution offered by Mr. Minor, and which was pending at the hour of adjournment,
Was decided in the affirmative.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Minor, Dyer and Gilstrap, said Committee.

Mr. Minor introduced a bill entitled,

An act to legalize and confirm a title to a deed to conveyance from Leland Barnes Hawkins to William Buford;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

The Senate, accompanied by its officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The joint session then proceeded to the thirteenth ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison.....	55
For Mr. Benton.....	39
For Mr. Doniphan.....	54
For Mr. Wilson.....	1

The members of the House voted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monro, Mothersead, Murray, Parcels, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—41.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—33.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of St. Louis, McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Moseley, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—46.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Harding, Lewis, of C., and Neill.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy, Hickox and Phillips.

Sick—Mr. Powers.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses proceeded to the fourteenth ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison.....	56
For Mr. Benton.....	39
For Mr. Doniphan.....	58
For Mr. Wilson.....	1

The members of the House voted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monro, Mothersead, Murray, Parcels, Reid,

Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—42.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—32.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of St. Louis, McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Mosely, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—48.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr Doniphan, of O.

Absent—Messrs. Buford and Lewis, of C.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy and Phillips.

Sick—Mr. Powers.

Neither candidate having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses proceeded to the fifteenth ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison.....	56
For Mr. Benton	39
For Mr. Doniphan	58
For Mr. Wilson.....	1

The members of the House voted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Ohlton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorries, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Melley, Minor, Monroe, Mothersead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—42.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—32.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of St. Louis, McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—48.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

Absent—Messrs Buford and Lewis, of C.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy and Phillips.

Sick—Mr. Powers.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses proceeded to the sixteenth ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison	56
For Mr. Benton.....	39
For Mr. Doniphan.....	58
For Mr. Wilson.....	1

The members of the House voted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monro, Mothersead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams of D.—42.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. O., McCulloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—32.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—48.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of P.

Absent—Messrs. Buford and Lewis, of C.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy and Phillips.

Sick—Mr. Powers.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses were about to proceed to the seventeenth ballot, when,

Mr. Lightner, of the House, moved the joint session adjourn *sine die*; Which motion was decided in the negative.

Mr. McClain, of St. C., of the House, moved the joint session take a recess until next Monday week, at 2 o'clock, P. M.;

Which motion was decided in the negative.

The two Houses then proceeded to the seventeenth ballot, which resulted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison.....	56
For Mr. Benton.....	39
For Mr. Doniphan.....	58
For Mr. Wilson.....	1

The members of the House voted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monro, Mothersead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Richey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams of D.—42.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffers, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Mott, Morgan, Morrow, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L. and Standiford—32.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—48.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

Absent—Messrs. Buford and Lewis, of C.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy and Phillips.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses were about to proceed to the eighteenth ballot, when,
 On motion of Mr. Doniphan, of P., of the House,
 The joint session took a recess until 2 o'clock, P. M., to-morrow.
 The Senate then retired to their chamber, and the Speaker resumed the chair, when,
 On motion of Mr. Morrow,
 The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 10TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Mr. Moore moved to take up Senate bill entitled:

An act amendatory of an act entitled, "An act donating swamp lands to the several counties in which they lie;"

Which motion was decided in the negative.

Bills of the following titles were introduced and severally disposed of as follows:

By Mr. Moore,

An act to pay grand and petit jurors in the county of Scott;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Morgan,

An act entitled, An act to repeal an act establishing a probate court in Bates county, approved February 8th, 1853;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same,

An act entitled, An act to legalize all conveyances and marriages in the late county of Vernon;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Morrow,

Resolved, That the committee on the Lunatic Asylum be instructed to visit the Lunatic Asylum and the Deaf and Dumb Asylum, and make report of such matters as may be deemed important for the information of the House.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that the President of the Senate has signed enrolled House bills of the following titles:

An act for the relief David Bollmann, of Franklin county;

An act to authorize the county court of Jefferson county to loan money;

An act relating to changes of venue in criminal cases in St. Louis county;

An act to change the names of Elizabeth Ann Dillion, Andrew Jackson Dillion, Francis Marion Dillion, Armilda Catharine Dillion and Mary Ann Dillion, of Macon county;

An act authorizing the county court of Lafayette county to pay an additional compensation to the County School Commissioner;

An act for the benefit of the executor of Benjamin Young, deceased;

An act to legalize the sale of certain school lands, in Warren county;

Joint resolutions authorizing the Committee appointed by the Governor to settle with the Auditor and Treasurer, to burn the wolf-scalp certificates in the Treasurer's office.

Mr. Morrow offered resolutions entitled,

Joint resolutions of instruction to our Senators in Congress, in relation to the improvement of our Western rivers;

Which were read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Gilstrap,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Murray announced that T. J. C. Fagg, member elect from the county of Pike, was present.

The Senate, accompanied by its officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The joint session then proceeded to the eighteenth ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison.....	54
For Mr. Benton	39
For Mr. Doniphan.....	57
For Mr. Wilson.....	1

The members of the House voted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of Nodaway, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monro, Mothersead, Murray, Parcels, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White, and Williams, of D.—41.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McCulloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—32.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of Jefferson, Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of Heary, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—46.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

Absent—Messrs. Bohannon, Buford, Dodson, and Lewis, of C.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Feagan and Powers.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses proceeded to the nineteenth ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison.....	55
For Mr. Benton.....	39
For Mr. Doniphan.....	58
For Mr. Wilson.....	1

The members of the House voted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown of Nodaway, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorriss, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monro, Mothershead, Murray, Parcels, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of Sullivan, Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—42.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—32.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Ewing, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of St. L., McCary, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—47.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

Absent—Messrs. Buford and Lewis, of C.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Feagan and Powers.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses proceeded to the twentieth ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison.....54

For Mr. Benton.....89

For Mr. Doniphan.....57

For Mr. Wilson.....1

The members of the House voted as follows:

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Botts, Bratty, Britton, Brown, of Nodaway, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Cresswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Munro, Mothersead, Murray, Parcels, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—41.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McCulloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—32.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Davis, Darnes, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Field, Gentry, Goode, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats, and Mr. Speaker—46.

For Mr. Wilson, of Andrew—Mr. Doniphan, of Clay.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Dodson, Guitar and Lewis, of C.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Feagan and Powers.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses were about to proceed to the twenty-first ballot, when,

Mr. Graves, of the House moved that the joint session take a recess until 2 o'clock, P. M.; to-morrow;

Which was decided in the negative.

The two Houses then proceeded to the twenty-first ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison.....	55
For Mr. Benton.....	39
For Mr. Doniphan.....	57
For Mr. Wilson.....	1

The members of the House voted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorriess, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monroe, Mothersead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White, and Williams, of Daviess—42.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of Bollinger, Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—82.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Ewing, Field, Gentry, Goode, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—46.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Guitar and Lewis, of C.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Feagan and Powers.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses were about to proceed to the twenty-second ballot, when,

Mr. Gilstrap, of the House, moved the joint session adjourn *sine die* ; Which was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Acock, of the House,

The joint session took a recess until 2 o'clock, P. M., to-morrow.

The Senate then retired to their Chamber, and the Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Bean, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles :

An act to incorporate Sugar Tree Grove Academy ;

An act to incorporate the Collegiate Institute of Learning, of South-west Missouri;

An act to incorporate the German Evangelical Missouri College.

T. J. C. Fagg, member elect from the county of Pike, came forward, produced his credentials, was qualified and took his seat, as a member of the House.

On motion of Mr. Britton,
The House adjourned.

THURSDAY MORNING, JANUARY 11, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Boyle.

On motion of Mr. Mothersead,

The following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, We have learned, with deep regret, of the death of the Hon.

John Buford, member elect of this House, from Reynolds county;

Be it therefore Resolved, That this House, in the death of the deceased, has lost an honorable member; society a useful citizen, and his family, an affectionate husband and father.

Resolved, That in token of respect for the deceased, the House will now adjourn until this evening at two o'clock, and that the members and officers will wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days.

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House be required to communicate a copy of these resolutions to the family of the deceased.

The House then adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Hardin,

Mr. Turner was added to the Committees on Elections and Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. McCarty,

Mr. Doniphan, of Clay, was added to the Committee on the Lunatic Asylum.

On motion of Mr. Gentry,

Mr. Breckinridge was added to the Committee on Banks.

The Senate, accompanied by its officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President took the Chair, and announced the order of business be-

for the joint session to be the election of a United States Senator, and that David R. Atchison, Thomas H. Benton and A. W. Doniphan, were in nomination.

Mr. Coffee, of the Senate, withdrew the name of David R. Atchison.

Mr. Medley, of the House, nominated William Scott.

The joint session then proceeded to the twenty-second ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Scott - - - - -	53
For Mr. Benton - - - - -	39
For Mr. Doniphan - - - - -	59
For Mr. Wilson - - - - -	1
For Mr. Jackson, of Cape Girardeau - - - - -	1
For Mr. Atchison - - - - -	1

The members of the House voted as follows:

For Mr. Scott—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monro, Mothersead, Murray, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker and Williams, of D.—40.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fagg, Fant, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. Louis, and Standiford—32.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darpes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of St. Louis, McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of Pettis, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—48.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

For Mr. Jackson, of Cape G.—Mr. Mott.

For Mr. Atchison—Mr. Parcells.

Absent—Mr. Lewis, of C.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Powers and White.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses proceeded to the twenty-third ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Scott, - - - - -	53
For Mr. Benton, - - - - -	39
For Mr. Doniphan, - - - - -	59
For Mr. Wilson, - - - - -	1
For Mr. Jackson, of Cape G., - - - - -	1
For Mr. Atchison, - - - - -	1

The members of the House voted as follows:

For Mr. Scott—Messrs. Ascock, Alexander, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of Lewis, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monro, Mothershead, Murray, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker and Williams, of D.—40.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Green, of P., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. Louis, and Standiford—32.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Mosceley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—48.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

For Mr. Jackson, of Cape G.—Mr. Mott.

For Mr. Atchison—Mr. Parcells.

Absent—Mr. Lewis, of C.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Powers and White.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses were about to proceed to the twenty-fourth ballot, when Mr. Medley, of the House withdrew the name of William Scott. Mr. Burnes, of the House, nominated Sterling Price.

The two Houses then proceeded to the twenty-fourth ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Price.....	55
For Mr. Benton.....	39
For Mr. Doniphan.....	58
For Mr. Hall.....	1
For Mr. Wilson.....	1

The members of the House voted as follows:

For Mr. Price—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monro, Mothersead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker and Williams, of D.—41.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Donelan, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Pratt, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., Standiford and Sitton—32.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—47.

For Mr. Wilson, of Andrew—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

For Willard P. Hall—Mr. Jackson.

Absent—Messrs. Lewis, of C., and Shelton.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Powers and White.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses were about to proceed to the twenty-fifth ballot, when,

On motion of Mr. Goode, of the House,

The joint session took a recess until 2 o'clock P. M., to-morrow.

The Senate then retired and the Speaker resumed the chair.

On motion of Mr. Frost,

The House adjourned.

FRIDAY MORNING, JANUARY 12, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.
Prayer by Rev. Mr. Doyle.

[Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed to inform the House of Representatives that House bill of the following title has been amended by the Senate and passed as amended:

An act for the relief of the Sheriff of Lafayette county, Missouri;
A bill of the following title has been introduced into the Senate and passed:

An act to procure a portrait of General George Washington.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communications from the Governor:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, Jefferson City, Mo., }
January 11th, 1855. }

To the Honorable the House of Representatives:

GENTLEMEN: I have this day approved and signed bills of the following titles:

An act to legalize the sale of certain school lands in Warren county;

An act for the benefit of Benjamin Young, deceased;

An act to authorize the county court of Lafayette to pay an additional compensation to the County School Commissioner;

An act to change the names of Elizabeth Ann Dillion, Andrew Jackson Dillion, Francis Marion Dillion, and Mary Ann Dillion, of Macon county;

An act relating to change of venue in criminal cases, in St. Louis county;

An act to authorize the county court of Jefferson county to loan money;

An act for the relief of David Bollmann, of Franklin county;

A concurrent resolution requiring the Committee appointed to examine the Auditor's and Treasurer's office to burn wolf scalp certificates.

I am, gentlemen,

Very respectfully,

STERLING PRICE.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
Jefferson City, Mo., January 10th, 1855. }

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives:

GENTLEMEN: I have this day approved and signed bills of the following titles:

An act for the relief of Collectors of Revenue;

An act to attach a certain portion of Linn county to Livingston co.;

An act to repeal an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the town of Union, in Franklin county, Missouri;"

An act to repeal so much of an act entitled, "An act to facilitate the improvement of the navigation of White river," approved March 3rd, 1851, as relates to Greene county;

An act to view, mark and locate a State road from Weston to Kickapoo Ferry, in Platte county;

An act to authorize the county court of Nodaway county to borrow a certain amount of the road and canal fund, and for other purposes;

An act to change the name of Newark, in the county of Andrew;

A joint resolution requesting our Representatives in Congress to use their influence to have an act passed upon the subject of property lost by our troops, in the Florida war, and the war with Mexico.

Also, acts without titles, as follows:

One to amend the first section of "An act to amend and reduce into one act the several acts incorporating the City of Independence," approved February 23rd, 1853;

One to authorize William Zook and James Duncan to erect and maintain a dam across Nodaway river;

One to authorize Jesse R. Allen & Co., to erect a dam across Big Turkio.

I am, very respectfully,
STERLING PRICE.

On motion of Mr. Neill, House bill of the following title was taken up:

An act for the relief of the Sheriff of Lafayette county, Missouri.

Mr. Gilstrap moved to refer the bill, as amended, to the Committee on Claims;

Which was decided in the negative.

The Senate amendment was then read and agreed to.

Mr. Moseley, on leave, called up Senate bill entitled,

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act donating swamp lands to the several counties in which they lie;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Frost moved to pass over the regular order of business and take up Senate bills;

Which was decided in the negative.

Mr. Morrow called up resolutions entitled,

Joint resolutions of instruction to our Senators in Congress in relation to the improvement of the Western rivers.

Mr. Gilstrap moved to lay the resolutions on the table, which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Brady:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Blakey, Bohannon, Botte, Brady, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Clippard, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Hughes, Lewis, of St. L., McAfee, McFarland, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Monroe, Mothersead, Moseley, Murray, Nevill,

Parcells, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Wall, Webb, Whitaker and Yeats—51.

NOES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Cunningham, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Harde-man, Hardin, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Minor, Moore, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Williams, of H., Wyatt and Mr. Speaker—68.

Absent—Messrs. Farrar, McMurtry, Morgan and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Powers and White.

Mr. McAfee moved the rejection of the resolution, pending which, Mr. Bean, on leave, reported as truly enrolled, a bill of the following title:

An act for the relief of the Sheriff of Lafayette county.

On motion of Mr. Isbell,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Harrison,

Mr. Fagg was added to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The Senate, accompanied by its officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate took the Chair, and announced that nominations for United States Senator were still in order.

There being no other nominations the two Houses proceeded to the twenty-fifth ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Price - - - - -	55
For Mr. Benton - - - - -	40
For Mr. Doniphan - - - - -	59
For Mr. Scott, of Ste. Genevieve - - - - -	1
For Mr. Wilson - - - - -	1

The members of the House voted as follows:

For Mr. Price—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dedson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green,

of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monro, Mothersead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker and Williams, of D.—41.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Donelan, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—33.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—48.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

Absent—Mr. Field.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Powers and White.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses were about to proceed to the twenty-sixth ballot, when,

On motion of Mr. Kitchen, of the Senate,

The joint session took a recess until 10 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow.

The Senate having retired to their chamber, the Speaker resumed the chair, when,

On motion of Mr. Reid,

The House adjourned.

SATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 13TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of representatives that the Senate has passed a substitute of the same title as the House bill entitled,

An bill in relation to the apportionment of the State school moneys.

The Senate has agreed to House amendment to Senate resolutions entitled,

Joint Resolutions to provide for fitting up a room in the office of the Secretary of State.

Mr. Hardin on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act for the government of the State Lunatic Asylum, and the care of the Insane;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the committee on the Lunatic Asylum.

Mr. Bean, on leave, called up Senate substitute for House bill of the same title:

A bill in relation to the apportionment of State school moneys;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

Mr. Holmes moved to refer the bill to the committee on Education;

Which was decided in the negative.

The bill was then read a third time, when,

Mr. Gilstrap moved to amend by way of ryder, as follows: after the word "organized," in the first section, the words "and unorganized;"

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Britton moved to lay the ryder on the table.

Mr. Frost called for the ayes and noes, pending which,

The Senate accompanied by its officers, arrived in the hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate then took the chair, announced that the election of United States Senator was in order, and that Messrs. Price, Benton and Doniphan were in nomination.

On motion of Mr. Zeigler, of the Senate,

Resolved, That hereafter when the two Houses are in joint session, it shall be adjudged regular to call the ayes and noes on motion of any member.

Mr. Burnes, of the House, withdrew the name of Sterling Price.

Mr. Coffee of the Senate, nominated David R. Atchison.

The joint session was about to proceed to the twenty-sixth ballot, when,

On motion of Mr. Mothersead of the House,

The joint session took a recess until 2 o'clock, P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

The joint session met pursuant to adjournment.

The two Houses then proceeded to the twenty-sixth ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison.....	53
For Mr. Benton.....	40
For Mr. Doniphan.....	60
For Mr. Wilson.....	1
For Mr. Scott, of Sta. G.....	1

The members of the House voted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gillstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monro, Mothersead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker and Williams, of D.—41.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L. and Standiford—38.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurry, Moore, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—49.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan of C.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Powers and White.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses were about to proceed to the twenty-seventh ballot, when, Mr. Heryford, of the House, moved the joint session take a recess until Monday week, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Which was decided in the negative.

Mr. Britton, of the House, moved the joint session take a recess until the first Monday in February, at 10 o'clock, A. M.;

Which was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Guitar, of the House,

The joint session took a recess until next Thursday week, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate then retired to their chamber, and the Speaker resumed the chair, when,

On motion of Mr. Webb,

The House adjourned.

MONDAY MORNING, JANUARY, 15TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Boyle.

On motion of Mr. Kelly,

Dr. McDowell is permitted to occupy, at night, the Hall of the House of Representatives, for the purpose of delivering a course of lectures.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER: The President of the Senate has signed enrolled House bills of the following titles :

An act for the relief of the Sheriff of Lafayette county, Missouri.

A bill to incorporate the Collegiate Institution of Learning of South-West Missouri.

An act to incorporate the Sugar Tree Grove Academy, in Clay county, Missouri.

An act to incorporate the German Evangelical Missouri College.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate :

An act to authorize the executors of John A. Woolfolk to take out letters testamentary without giving surety on their bond.

An act to repeal the first and third clauses of an act entitled, An act to provide for the support and government of common schools in the State of Missouri.

A bill to provide for the election of Collector of the State and county revenue, and other officers in the county of St. Louis.

A bill to provide for the sale of real and personal estate of minors.

Resolutions concerning the importation of railroad iron by railroad companies.

An act to incorporate the St. Louis Medical College.

Constitutional amendments requiring all laws to be general.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has adopted concurrent resolution entitled,

Concurrent resolution requesting the committee on the Penitentiary of the two Houses to act jointly.

The question then being on the motion of Mr. Britton to lay the ryder of Mr. Gilstrap on the table, and which was pending on Saturday when the Senate arrived, was taken up and decided in the negative by the following vote :

AYES--Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Brady, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Burnet, Clark, Cunningham, Darby, Donelan, Drake, Dyer, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Guilar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Kelly, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McAfee, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFarland, McMurtry, Medley, Morrow, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Todd, Tucker, Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—59.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Blakey, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Bradford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Houghton, Howell, Jackson, Jones, King, McCary, McClain, of St. C., McFall, McMahan, McSpadden, Moore, Monroe, Morgan, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Nevill, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Smith, of B., Smith, of S., Standiford, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, Williams, of D., and Williams of H.—58.

Absent—Messrs. Brown of St. L., Doniphan of C., Farrar, Hughes, Lightner, Minor and Rollins.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Powers and White.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holiday, Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has adopted concurrent resolution entitled, Concurrent resolution providing for the meeting of the two Houses in joint session on this day, at 2 o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of electing Bank Officers.

The Speaker laid before the House of Representatives the following communication from the Governor:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
City of Jefferson, Mo., January 15th, 1855. }

To the Hon., the House of Representatives:

GENTLEMEN: I have this day signed and approved bills of the following titles:

An act to incorporate the Sugar Tree Grove Academy, in Clay county, Missouri.

An act to incorporate the German Evangelical Missouri College.

An act to incorporate the Collegiate Institution of Learning of South-West Missouri.

An act for the relief of the Sheriff of Lafayette county.

I am, gentlemen,

Very respectfully,

STERLING PRICE.

Mr. Frost offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Senate bill entitled, A bill in relation to the apportionment of the State school moneys, be referred to the committee on Education, with instructions to report a general law to apportion the State school money equal among all the children of the State.

Mr. Britton moved to lay the resolution on the table;

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote—the ayes and noes being demanded by **Mr. Frost:**

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Brady, Breck-

inridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Barrett, Clark, Cunningham, Darby, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dyer, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Field, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Jeffress, Kelly, Layton, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McCulloch, McFarland, McMurtry, Minor, Morrow, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Rollins, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Todd, Tucker, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—59.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Braiford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Dorris, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jennings, Jones, King, Lewis, of C., McAfee, McClain, of St. C., McFall, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Moore, Monro, Morgan, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Murray, Nevill, Parcels, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Sitton, Smith, of B., Standiford, Turner, Wal., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—62.

Absent—Messrs. Farrar, Hughes and Shelton.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Doniphan, of C., and Powers.

The question then being on the adoption of the resolution, it was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Bean,

Senate resolution of the following title was taken up:

Concurrent resolution for going into the election of Bank Officers.

Mr. McAfee moved to amend as follows:

Insert after the word 'of,' and before the word 'President,' the words 'Public Printer.'

The question being on the adoption of the amendment, it was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. McAfee:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Donelan, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Jackson, McAfee, McClain, of St. C., McFarland, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Moore, Monro, Morgan, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Parcels, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Standiford, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—54.

NOES—Messrs. Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Clark, Cunningham, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane,

of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Sitten, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Williams, of M., Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—62.

Absent—Messrs. Baker, Clippard, Dodson, Farar, Hughes, Jones, Minor and Shelton.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Doby and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Doniphan, of C., and Ewers.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Doniphan, of P., asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hughes.

On motion of Mr. Webb,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Darnes moved to reconsider the vote to commit the bill of the following title to the committee on Education, which was decided in the negative :

A bill in relation to the apportionment of the State school money.

On motion of Mr. Brady,

Resolved, That there shall be no stacking in the House during joint session.

According to previous notice, the Senate with its officers arrived in the hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate took the chair and announced the object of the joint session of both Houses to be, the election of President and Directors of the Bank of the State of Missouri and the Branches thereof, when,

Mr. Zeigler, of the Senate, moved that the joint session take a recess for the election of Bank officers until the twentieth day of February next, at 2 o'clock, P. M. ;

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Elow, of the Senate :

AYES,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	79
NOES,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	79

The members of the House voted as follows :

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Bohannon, Bolts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Burnet, Barnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Donelan, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McCary, McCarty, McClain, of St. C., McFarland, McSpadden, Med-

Icy, Minor, Moore, Monro, Morgan, Moseley, Mothershead, Murray, Noill, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams of D.—53.

NOES—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Clark, Cunningham, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Fagg, Faut, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeeman, Hardin, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McLane, of Cape G., McCulloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitten, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—65.

Absent—Messrs. Houghton, Jackson and Percell's.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy, Hughes and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Bullock, Clippard, Doniphan, of C., and Powers.

On motion of Mr. Brady, of the House,
The joint session took a recess until to-morrow at 2 o'clock. P. M.
The Senate having retired, the Speaker resumed the chair, when,
On motion of Mr. Guitar,
The House adjourned.

TUESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 16TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.
Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER : I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate has passed House bills of the following titles :

An act for the benefit of Samuel Richardson of Montezuma county.

An act to repeal an act entitled, An act for opening and repairing roads and highways in Andrew county, approved February 24th, 1853.

An act entitled, An act to repeal an act establishing a Probate Court in Bates county, approved February 8th, 1853.

An act entitled, An act to repeal so much of an act establishing a Probate Court in Hickory county, as relates to county courts therein, approved February 27th, 1849.

Bills of the following titles have have been introduced in the Senate and passed :

An act granting further time for the completion of the St. Charles Western Pland Road.

A bill for enabling the Trustees of the American Express Company to sue.

A bill to change the administration of the estate of Charles Younger, deceased.

The Senate has passed a resolution requesting the House to transmit to the Senate, the report of Professor Swallow on the Geological Survey of the State of Missouri, with the accompanying papers.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate :

An act authorizing Margaret Martin to sell certain real estate ;

A bill to incorporate Florence Lodge, No. 1, of the Society of Workers ;

An act to charter Des Peres Institute, in St. Louis county ;

A bill to encourage agriculture ;

An act for the relief of Henry C. Wellman and William O. Young ;

A bill for the relief of Wm. H. Duncan ;

An act to incorporate the Ozark Mining Company ;

An act to incorporate the Linn Mining and Smelting Company ;

A bill for the relief of G. W. Kelly ;

An act to incorporate the Mound City Mutual Insurance Company, of St. Louis ;

An act to incorporate the Great Republic Insurance Company, of St. Louis ;

An act regulating the time of payment of money falling due upon holidays ;

An act to provide for the payment of petit jurors in the county of Shelby ;

An act for the relief of the heirs of Joseph Kinkead ;

A bill to incorporate the Franklin Insurance Company ;

An act for the relief of Allen Crock, late Sheriff of Andrew county ;

An act for the benefit of the widow and children of Reuben Johnson, deceased.

Mr. McClain, of St. C., on leave, called up Senate bill entitled,

A bill to change the administration of the estate of Charles Younger, deceased ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Hardin,

Resolved, That room "F" in the basement, be assigned, 'till otherwise ordered, to the use of Mr. Wheelan, Superintendent of the Asylum for the Education of the Blind, and such pupils as accompany him.

Mr. Brady moved to suspend the rules, to permit the Committee on Elections to make a report in the contested election cases of Messrs. Brown, Goodlet and Palmer, of St. Louis county ;

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Brady :

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Baker, Barrett, Blakey, Bohannon, Botts, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnet, Earnes, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cun-

ningham, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorris, Everett, Ewing, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, McAfee, McCarty, McClain, of St. C., McCulloch, McMurtry, McSpadden, Minor, Moore, Moseley, Mothersead, Nevill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberis, Shambaugh, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Standiford, Todd, Tracker, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of Henry, Williams, of D., Yeats and Mr. Speaker—87.

NOES—Messrs. Bean, Blair, Boyd, Britton, Brown, of J., Clark, Davis, Dyer, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Lightner, McLane, of Cape G., McFall, McFarland, Monro, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Murray, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., and Wyatt—80.

Absent—Messrs. Harding, Harris, McCary, McMahan, Medley, Neill and Parcells.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy, Hughes and Phillips.

Sick—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

Mr. Jeffress, from the Committee on Elections, to whom was referred the petitions and evidence relating to the claims of Messrs Goodlett and Palmer, contesting the right of Mr. Brown, of St. Louis, to his seat upon this floor; submitted a report from the majority of said Committee.

Mr. Blakey, submitted a report from the minority of said Committee.

Mr. Brady offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Mr. Goodlett, and E. Casselberry, attorney for William Palmer, be allowed to explain to this House the facts connected with the contested case between them and Mr. B. Gratz Brown.

Mr. Reid moved to strike out the words "and E. Casselberry, attorney for William Palmer;"

Which was decided in the negative.

Mr. McAfee moved to lay the resolution offered by Mr. Brady, on the table;

Which was decided in the negative.

Mr. Frost moved that the House agree to the minority report of the Committee on Elections, pending which,

Mr. Goodlett, in his own proper person, and Mr. Casselberry, as attorney for Mr. Palmer, appeared before the House and argued the respective claims of the contestants, to the seat of Mr. Brown.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communications from the Secretary of State:

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE, }
City of Jefferson, Missouri, January 16, 1855. }

To the Honorable the House of Representatives:

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to transmit herewith a report from the Pacific, North Missouri and Iron Mountain Railroad Companies.

I am, very respectfully,

JOHN M. RICHLARSON,

Secretary of State.

The reports transmitted by the Secretary of State, were,
 On motion of Mr. Rollins,
 Laid upon the table and two thousand copies of each of said reports
 were ordered to be printed.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE,
City of Jefferson, Missouri, January 16, 1855. }

To the Honorable the House of Representatives:

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to transmit herewith a report from the
 Treasurer of the State University.

I am, very respectfully,
 JOHN M. RICHARDSON,
Secretary of State.

The report of the Treasurer of the State University was laid upon the
 table and one thousand copies ordered to be printed.

The Speaker laid before the House the report of the Register of
 Lands.

Mr. Mothershead moved to lay the same upon the table and that five
 thousand copies be printed for the use of the House and one hundred and
 fifty copies for the Register.

Mr. Darnes moved to strike out "five thousand and insert "two thou-
 sand;"

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Blakey offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That J. A. Goodlett is entitled to the seat now occupied by
 B. Gratz Brown, and that he be requested to come forward and be sworn
 in, as a member of this House.

Mr. Breckinridge offered the following as a substitute:

Resolved, That the report be re-committed, and the Committee on Elec-
 tions be authorized to send to Saint Louis county for the ballots cast at
 the last August election, and for the poll books of that election and be in-
 structed on the receipts of said ballots and poll books, to proceed with-
 out delay either by themselves or by persons, to be by them selected,
 and to act under oath, to count all the ballots cast at said election for
 Messrs. Goodlett, Palmer and Brown, and if it shall appear that the
 ballots cast at any of the precincts in said county at said election, have
 been lost or destroyed, then, the record of the votes given for Messrs.
 Goodlett, Palmer and Brown, as contained in the poll books from said
 precincts, shall be conclusive as to the number of votes, cast at said
 precincts for said persons. That the Committee on Elections after having
 ascertained the number of votes cast at the said election for Messrs.
 Goodlett, Palmer and Brown, by a count as above provided for, of the bal-
 lots and the votes recorded in the poll books of those precincts, the bal-
 lots which have been lost or destroyed, shall make report thereof to this
 House, and the person who shall appear to have received the largest
 number of votes shall be declared entitled to the contested seat.

Pending the question on the substitute,

On motion of Mr. McFarland,
 The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Senate, accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate having taken the Speaker's chair, stated the object of the joint meeting to be the election of Presidents and Directors of the Mother Bank and Branches for the ensuing two years:

On motion of Mr. Kelly, of the House,

Resolved, By the two Houses of the General Assembly, now in joint session, that we will proceed to the election of officers for the Parent Bank and Branches, in the order in which they were located.

First. The President and Directors of the Parent Bank at St. Louis.

Second. The President and Directors of the Branch Bank at Fayette.

Third. The President and Directors of the Branch Bank at Palmyra.

Fourth. The President and Directors of the Branch Bank at Springfield.

Fifth. The President and Directors of the Branch Bank at Lexington.

Sixth. The President and Directors of the Branch Bank at Cape Girardeau.

Mr. Zeigler, of the Senate, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the joint session will now take a recess until the 30th day of January, 1855, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Zeigler:

AYES.....	58
NOES.....	101

The members of the House voted as follows:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Darby, Darnes, Donelan, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Herryford, Holmes, Jackson, McAfee, McClain, of St. C., McFarland, Medley, Minor, Monroe, Motherhead, Murray, Parcels, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., and Wall—38.

NOES—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. Louis, Burnet, Clark, Craven, Cunningham, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Farrar, Field, Frost, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Hill, Houghon, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McCulloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Moore, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. Louis, Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—85.

Absent—Mr. Moseley.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy, Hughes and Phillips.

Sick—Mr. Clippard.

Nominations for President of the Parent Bank at St. Louis being in order,

Mr. Rannels, of the Senate, nominated Joseph Charless.

Mr. Medley, of the House, nominated Robert A. Barnes.

Mr. Zeigler, of the Senate, nominated Edward Walsh.

No other nominations being made, the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Charless.....	87
For Mr. Barnes	57
For Mr. Walsh	10

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Charless—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. Louis, Burnet, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Fant, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Morrow, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—73.

For Mr. Barnes—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Jackson, McAfee, McCary, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monroe, Mothersead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Standiford, Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—44.

For Mr. Walsh—Messrs. Barrett, Donelan, McClain, of St. C., McCulloch, Morgan and Mott—6.

Absent—Messrs. Clippard and Moseley.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy, Hughes and Phillips.

Mr. Charless having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected President of the Parent Bank at St. Louis, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors of the Parent Bank at St. Louis being in order,

Mr. Blair, of the House, nominated John M. Wimer.

Mr. Robinson, of the Senate, nominated Erasmus Wells.

Mr. Zeigler, of the Senate, nominated Alfred Vinton.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Wimer.....	87
For Mr. Wells.....	64
For Mr. Vinton.....	1

¶ The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Wimer—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Buraet, Clark, Cunningham, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of Clay, Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Ewing, Fant, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C. Lightner, McCarty, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McColloch, McFall, McMurtry, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Standitord, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Williams, of H., Wyatt and Mr. Speaker—70.

For Mr. Wells—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of Nodaway, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Lewis, of St. L., McAfee, McFarland, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monro, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Nevill, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of D., and Yeats—50.

Absent—Messrs. Bohannon, Clippard, Darnes, Harding and Shelton.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy, Hughes and Phillips.

Mr. Wimer having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected a Director of the Parent Bank at Saint Louis, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors being still in order,

Mr. Todd, of the House, nominated William T. Christy.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Christy.....	131
For Mr. Vinton.....	1
For Thomas Tutt.....	1
For E. Walsh.....	1
For J. W. Coalition.....	1
For A. H. Buckner.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Christy—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Baker, Barrett, Bean,

Blakey, Blair, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Burnet, Burnes, Chilton, Clark, Cravens, Cunningham, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Ewing, Fant, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Holmes, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis of St. L., Lightner, McAfee, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monro, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Parcells, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, White, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—106.

For Mr. John W. Coalition—Mr. Gilstrap.

For Mr. A. H. Buckner—Mr. McFarland.

Absent—Messrs. Bohannon, Botts, Brady, Clippard, Crosswhite, Donegan, Everett, Green, of F., Harding, Hill, Jackson, Mothersead, Powers, Shambaugh, Standiford, Whitaker and Williams, of Daviess.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy, Hughes and Phillips.

Mr. Christy having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected a Director of the Parent Bank at St. Louis, for the ensuing two years.

On motion of Mr. Kelly, of the House,

The joint session took a recess until to-morrow at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The Senate having retired to their Chamber, the Speaker resumed the chair, when,

On motion of Mr. McFarland,

The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 17, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate has passed House bill entitled,

An act for the benefit of Edward N. Gerard.

Mr. Smith, of S., asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Jackson.

The question being on the adoption of the substitute offered by Mr. Breckinridge, to the resolution of Mr. Blakey, which was pending when the House adjourned on yesterday morning.

Mr. Reid moved the previous question.

The question then being, shall the main question now be put? was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Reid:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Baker, Bean, Blakey, Botts, Brady, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darby, Dodson, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorriass, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Harding, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Houghton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, McAfee, McCarty, McClain, of St. C., McMahan, McFarland, McSpadden, Minor, Monroe, Morrow, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Parcells, Patrick, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of S., Standiford, Tucker, Turner, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., and Wyatt—68.

NOES—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford Breckinridge, Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Davis, Donelan, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harris, Harde-man, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McMurtry, Mott, Neill, Pratt, Rollins, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. Louis, Todd, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—45.

Absent—Messrs. Britton, Darnes, Jones, Medley, Moore, Morgan, Nevill, Powers and Wall.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy, Hughes, Jackson, and Phillips.

Excused from voting—Mr. Doniphan, of O.

Sick—Mr. Clippard.

Mr. Minor moved to lay the substitute of Mr. Breckinridge on the table.

Mr. Burnet moved to lay the resolution and substitute on the table.

Mr. Minor moved a division of the question.

The question then being on laying the substitute of Mr. Breckinridge on the table.

Mr. Gilstrap called for the ayes and noes; pending the call of the roll of the House,

The Senate, accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate took the Chair and announced that nominations for Directors of the Bank of the State of Missouri were in order, when,

Mr. Goode, of the House, nominated D. A. January.

Mr. Zeigler, of the Senate, nominated Lewis Winkelmyer.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called there appeared,

For Mr. January	130
For Mr. Winkelmyer.....	7
For Mr. Tutt.....	7
For Mr. Abeles.....	1
For Mr. Angelrodt	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. January—Messrs. Acock, Baker, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Chilton, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fant, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Holmes, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McAfee, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McCulloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Minor, Moore, Monro, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Parcells, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—108.

For Mr. Winkelmyer—Messrs. Alexander, Barrett and Darby—3.

For Mr. Tutt—Messrs. Brady, Shambaugh and Williams, of D.—3.

For Mr. Angelrodt—Mr. Medley.

Absent—Messrs. Botts, Dodson, Gilstrap, Graves, Hill, McFarland and White.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy, Hughes, Jackson and Phillips.

Mr. January having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Bank of the State of Missouri, at St. Louis, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors being still in order,

Mr. Blair, of the House, nominated William Wade.

Mr. Zeigler, of the Senate, nominated Adolph Abeles.

Mr. McFarland, of the House, nominated Erasmus Wells.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Wade.....	91
For Mr. Abeles.....	4
For Mr. Wells.....	45

For Mr. Buckner.....	1
For Mr. Polk... ..	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Wade—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Crosswhite, Cunningham, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Drake, Ewing, Fant, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McCulloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Patriok, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt and Mr. Speaker—70.

For Mr. Abeles—Messrs. Alexander, Heryford and Williams of D.—3.

For Mr. Wells—Messrs. Acock, Brady, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Burnet, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Dorris, Everett, Frost, Garth, Graves, Green, of L., Harding, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Lewis, of St. L., McFarland, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Monroe, Mothersead, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Webb, Whitaker, White and Yates—37.

For Mr. Polk—Mr. Murray.

Absent—Messrs. Britton, Doniphan, of P., Dyer, Field, Gilstrap, McAfee, Moore, Minor, Moseley, Nevill, Shambaugh and Smith, of S.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy, Hughes, Jackson and Phillips.

Sick—Mr. Clippard.

Mr. Wade having received a majority of the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Bank of the State of Missouri, at St. Louis, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors being still in order.

Mr. Todd, of the House, nominated H. I. Bodley.

Mr. McAfee, of the House, nominated William Palm.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Bodley.....	97
For Mr. Palm	31
For Mr. McCreery.....	1
For Mr. Wells.....	3
For Mr. Polk.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Bodley—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Botts,

Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Everett, Ewing, Fant, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurry, Morgan, Morrow, Mosely, Mott, Mothersead, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Todd, Tucker, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—78.

For Mr. Palm—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, Medley, Minor, Monro, Murray, Parcels, Reid and Ritchey—22.

For Mr. McCreery—Mr. Dorriss—1.

For Mr. Wells—Messrs. Frost, Whitaker and White—3.

For Mr. Polk—Mr. Garth—1.

Absent—Messrs. Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Brown, St. L., Crosswhite, Dyer, Gilstrap, Hill, Lewis, of St. L., McCary, McSpadden, Moore, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Standiford Turner, Wall and Webb.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy, Hughes, Jackson and Phillips.

Sick—Mr. Clippard.

Mr. Bodley having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Bank of the State of Missouri, at St. Louis, for the ensuing two years.

On motion of Mr. Mothersead, of the House,

The joint session took a recess until 2 o'clock P. M.

The Senate then retired to their Chamber, and the Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Neill asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Baker.

Mr. McFarland asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Britton.

On motion of Mr. Webb,

The House adjourned.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Senate, accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate took the chair and announced that nomi-

nations for Directors of the Bank of the State Missouri, at St. Louis, were still in order, when,

Mr. Kitchen, of the Senate, nominated Robert M. Parks.

Mr. Barrett, of the House, nominated Patrick T. McSherry.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Parks.....	88
For Mr. McSherry.....	51
For Mr. Watson.....	2
For Mr. Chiles.....	1
For Mr. Polk.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Parks—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. Louis, Burnet, Chilton, Clark, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Fant, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jennings, Kelly, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Morrow, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Todd, Tucker, Wall, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—69.

For Mr. McSherry—Messrs. Alexander, Barrett, Botts, Brady, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Donelan, Dorriess, Everett, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Jeffress, McCary, McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McSpadden, Medley, Monroe, Morgan, Mothersead, Parcels, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Whitaker and Williams, of D.—36.

For Mr. Watson—Messrs. Acock and Holmes—2.

For Mr. Chiles—Mr. Dyer—1.

For Mr. Polk—Mr. Murray—1.

Absent—Messrs. Cunningham, Frost, Harding, Hill, King, McAfee, McFarland, Minor, Mott, Webb and White.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy, Britton, Hughes, Jackson and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard and Turner.

Mr. Parks having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of Bank of the State of Missouri, at St. Louis, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors being still in order,

Mr. Blair, of the House, nominated John Evill.

Mr. Mothersead, of the House, nominated Thomas E. Tutt.

Mr. Zeigler, of the Senate, nominated Edward Haren.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Evill	81
For Mr. Tutt.....	52
For Mr. Haren.....	2
For Mr. Brownlee.....	1
For Mr. Kirk Anderson.....	3
For Mr. Goode.....	2

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Evill—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Darnes, Davis, Donegan, Doniphan, of Clay, Drake, Ewing, Fant, Fagg, Feagan, Farrar, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McCulloch, McFall, McMahan, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—65.

For Mr. Tutt—Messrs. Acock, Botts, Brady, Brown, of J., Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Doniphan, of Platte, Dorries, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Holmes, Houghton, McFarland, McMurtry, McSpadden, Moore, Monroe, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Nevill, Parcells, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—42.

For Mr. Haren—Mr. Alexander—1.

For Mr. Anderson—Messrs. Brown, of N., Harding and Medley—3.

For Mr. Goode—Messrs. Reid and Wall—2.

Absent—Messrs. Bohannon, Cunningham, Hill, Jones, Minor, Powers and Webb.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy, Britton, Hughes, Jackson and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard, McAfee and Turner.

Mr. Evill having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Bank of the State of Missouri, at St. Louis, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors still being in order,

Mr. Rannels, of the Senate, nominated John A. Brownlee.

Mr. Acock, of the House, nominated James S. Watson.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Brownlee	91
For Mr. Watson.....	52

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Brownlee—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Burnet, Clark, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, J. fress, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McFall, McMurtry, Moore, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of Pettis, Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—77.

For Mr. Watson—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Botts, Brady, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dorriess, Dyer, Everett, Fant, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hill, Holmes, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Monroe, Mothersead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker and Williams, of D.—37.

Absent—Messrs. Cunningham, Kelly, McColloch, McMahan, Minor, Powers and White.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy, Britton, Hughes, Jackson and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard and McAfee.

Mr. Brownlee having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Bank of the State of Missouri, at St. Louis, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors being still in order,

Mr. Blair, of the House, nominated Thomas E. Tutt.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Tutt.....	126
For Mr. Todd.....	1
For Peter Wagner.....	2
For Mr. Buckner.....	1
For Mr. Haren.....	1
For Kirk Anderson.....	1
For Mr. Goode.....	1
For J. R. Arnott.....	1
For James McCoy.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Tutt—Messrs. Acock, Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Chilton, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darby, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorriss, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fant, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Holmes, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Moore, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Parcells, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Whitaker, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—104.

For Mr. Wagner—Mr. Alexander—1.

For Mr. Anderson—Mr Brady—1.

For Mr. Goode—Mr. Mothersead—1.

For Mr. Arnott—Mr. Webb—1.

For Mr. McCoy—Mr. Williams, of D.—1.

Mr. Tutt having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Bank of the State of Missouri, at St. Louis, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Director being still in order,

Mr. Rannels, of the Senate, nominated Benjamin M. Runyan;

Mr. Mcris, of the Senate, nominated Henry Overstoltz.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Runyan,	-	-	-	-	-	100
For Mr. Overstoltz,	-	-	-	-	-	3
For Amos H. Shultz,	-	-	-	-	-	1
For Mr. Buckner,	-	-	-	-	-	2
For Mr. McCoy,	-	-	-	-	-	1
For Mr. Goode,	-	-	-	-	-	1
For Mr. Barksdale,	-	-	-	-	-	1
For Mr. Risley,	-	-	-	-	-	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Runyan—Messrs. Acock, Baker, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnet, Chilton, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan,

of P., Drake, Everett, Ewing, Fant, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Houghton, Isbell, Jones, Layton, Lewis, C., of Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McMahon, McMurtry, McSpadden, Moore, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Pratt, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sittou, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Whitaker, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—84.

For Mr. Overstoltz—Messrs. Alexander, Barrett, Donelan, Dyer, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Heryford, Holmes, Jeffress, Jennings, King, McClain, of St. C., Minor, Moore, Morgan, Parcels, Reid and Standiford—20.

For Mr. Shultz—Mr. Burnes—1.

For Mr. Barksdale—Mr. Dorriess—1.

For Mr. Goode—Mr. Mothersead—1.

For Mr. Buckner—Messrs. Murray, Shambaugh—2.

For Mr. Anderson—Mr. Smith, of S.—1:

For Mr. McCoy—Mr. Williams of D.—1.

Absent—Messrs. Brady, Frost, Hill, Howell, Kelly, McFarland, Medley, Powers, Webb and White.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bogy Britton, Hughes, Jackson and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard and McAfee

Mr. Runyan having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Bank of the State of Missouri, at St. Louis, for the ensuing two years.

Mr. Mott, of the House, moved the joint session take a recess until 10 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow ;

Which was decided in the negative.

Mr. Kitchen, of the Senate, moved that the joint session take a recess until 7 o'clock, this evening ;

Which was decided in the negative.

Mr. Ritchey, of the House, moved that the joint session take a recess until to-morrow, at 2 o'clock, P. M. ;

Which was also decided in the negative.

Nominations for President of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Fayette, being then in order,

Mr. Rollins, of the House, nominated Gerard Robinson ;

Mr. Graves, of the House, nominated John J. Lowery.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Robinson,	-	-	-	-	-	-	98
For Mr. Lowery,	-	-	-	-	-	-	53

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Robinson—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of Jefferson, Brown, of St. L., Burrell, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Harde-
man, Hardin, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King,
Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty,
McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McCulloch, McFall, McMahan,
McMurtry, Moore, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Pratt,
Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of
St. L., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yates
and Mr. Speaker—76.

For Mr. Lowery—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Botts, Brown, of Nod-
away, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer,
Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox,
Hill, Holmes, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monroe, Moth-
ersead, Murray, Parcels, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Stan-
diford, Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—39.

Absent—Messrs. Brady, Crosswhite, Fant, Kelly, Morgan and Powers.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Boggy, Britton, Hughes, Jackson, and Phil-
lips.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard and McAfee.

Mr. Robinson having received a majority of all the votes given, was
declared duly elected President of the Branch Bank of the State of
Missouri, at Fayette, for the ensuing two years.

On motion of Mr. Smith, of P., of the House,

The joint session took a recess until 10 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow.

The Senate having retired to their chamber, and the Speaker having
resumed the chair,

Mr. Barrett moved that the House adjourn until 10 o'clock, A. M.,
to-morrow.

Which was decided in the negative;

On motion of Mr. Harding,

The House adjourned.

THURSDAY MORNING, JANUARY 18TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Mr. Heryford asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Graves.

Mr. Sitton, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles:

An act entitled, an act to repeal so much of an act, establishing probate courts in Hickory county, as relates to the county courts therein;

An act for the benefit of Samuel Richardson, of Moniteau county;

An act to repeal an act entitled, an act for opening and repairing roads and highways in Andrew county, approved February 24th, 1853;

An act entitled, an act to repeal an act establishing a probate court in Bates county, approved February 8th, 1853;

An act for the benefit of Edward N. Gerard;

The question pending, when the Senate arrived on yesterday, to lay the substitute offered by Mr. Breckinridge to the resolution of Mr. Blakey on the table, was taken up, and pending the call of the roll of the House,

The Senate, accompanied by its officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate took the Speaker's chair and announced that nominations for Directors of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Fayette, were in order.

Mr. Rollins, of the House, nominated John W. Harris.

Mr. Heryford, of the House, nominated John Hinton.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Harris.....	86
For Mr. Hinton.....	51
For Mr. Heryford.....	1
For Mr. Graves.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Harris—Messrs. Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Burnet, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Fant, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. Louis, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—72.

For Mr. Hinton—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Botts, Brady, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Green, of Lewis, Heryford, Hickox, Holmes, McAfee, McCary, McClain, of St. C., McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monro, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambagh, Smith, of S., Standiford, Whitaker and White—38.

For Mr. Heryford—Mr. Hill—1.

For Mr. Graves—Mr. Mr. Murray—1.

Absent—Messrs. Bradford, Gilstrap, Goode, Kelly, Moseley, Mothershead, Webb and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Bogy, Britton, Graves, Hughes, Jackson and Phillips.

Sick—Mr. Clippard.

Mr. Harris having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Fayette, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors being still in order,

Mr. Davis, of the House, nominated William R. Snelson.

Mr. Heryford, of the House, nominated James R. Horsley.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Snelson.....	80
For Mr. Horsley.....	38
For Mr. Anderson.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Snelson—Messrs. Bean, Blair, Bohannon, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Burnet, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape Girardeau, McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt and Yeats—65.

For Mr. Horsley—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Botts, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Frost, Garth, Green, of L., Heryford, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McSpadden, Minor, Monro, Murray, Parcells, Ritchey, Smith, of Sullivan, Whitaker and White—28.

For Mr. Anderson—Mr. Brown, of N.—1.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Blakey, Boyd, Brady, Bradford, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Everett, Gilstrap, Goode, Hickox, Howell, Kelly, McCary, McClain, of St. C., McFarland, Medley, Morgan, Motherhead, Reid, Shambaugh, Smith, of B., Standiford, Webb, Williams, of Daviess, and Mr. Speaker.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Bogy, Britton, Graves, Hughes, Jackson and Phillips.

Sick—Mr. Clippard.

Mr. Snelson having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Fayette, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors being still in order,

Mr. Davis, of the House, nominated James A. Shirley.

No other nominations being made, the joint session was about to proceed to call the rolls of the two Houses, when,

Mr. Burnet, of the House, moved that the joint session take a recess until 2 o'clock, P. M.;

Which was decided in the negative.

The rolls of the two Houses were then called, when there appeared,

For Mr. Shirley.....	105
For Mr. McClain.....	1
For Mr. Barton.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Shirley—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Blair, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Chilton, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dyer, Ewing, Fant, Farrar, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Houghton, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape of G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Moore, Monro, Morrow, Moseley, Murray, Neill, Parcels, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Whitaker, White, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—81.

For Mr. McClain, of St. C.—Mr. Dorris—1.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Blakey, Brady, Bradford, Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Everett, Fagg, Feagan, Gilstrap, Goode, Harris, Hickox, Howell, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of St. L., McAfee, McCary, McFarland, Medley, Minor, Morgan, Mott, Mothersead, Nevill, Reid, Shambaugh, Shelton, Sitton, Standiford, Wall, Webb and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Bogy, Britton, Graves, Hughes, Jackson and Phillips.

Sick—Mr. Clippard.

Mr. Shirley having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Fayette, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors being still in order,

Mr. Davis, of the House, nominated Thomas J. Bartholow.

Mr. Heryford, of the House, nominated William Speer.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Bartholow..... 69

For Mr. Speer..... 33

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Bartholow—Messrs. Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Burnet, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Hardeman, Hardin, Isbell, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurry, Moseley, Neill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Smith, of Bollinger, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. Louis, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—57.

For Mr. Speer—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Botts, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Frost, Garth, Green, of L., Heryford, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McCary, Monro, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Whitaker and White—26.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Brady, Bradford, Brown, of N., Darby, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Everett, Gilstrap, Goode, Harding, Harris, Hickox, Houghton, Howell, Jeffress, Kelly, McCarty, McClain, of St. Clair, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Mothersead, Nevill, Shambaugh, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of S., Standiford, Wall, Webb, and Williams, of Daviess.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Bogy, Britton, Graves, Hughes, Jackson and Phillips.

Sick—Mr. Clippard.

Mr. Bartholow having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Fayette, for the ensuing two years.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, of the Senate,

The joint session took a recess until 2 o'clock, this evening.

The Senate having retired, the Speaker resumed the chair.

On motion of Mr. McLane, of Cape G.,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

Mr. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate:

A bill regulating interest on money;

An act to reduce the compensation of the Collector of the Revenue of Saint Louis county;

Concurrent resolutions entitled,

Concurrent resolutions relating to revision.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed:

An act concerning the records of the circuit court of Butler county;

An act declaring James L. D. Blevins, of Cole county, capable of contracting.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Senate, accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate took the chair.

Nominations for Directors of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Fayette, being in order,

Mr. Harrison, of the House, nominated Isaac Lionberger.

Mr. Heryford, of the House, nominated B. W. Lewis.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Lionberger.....	92
For Mr. Lewis.....	36
For John W. Henry.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Lionberger—Messrs. Acock, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Burnet, Clark, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Morrow, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. Louis, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—74.

For Mr. Lewis—Messrs. Alexander, Botts, Brady, Bullock, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dorriss, Dyer, Frost, Garth, Green, of L. Heryford, Holmes, McAfee, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monro, Mothersead, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Standiford, Whitaker and Williams, of D.—30.

For Mr. Henry—Mr. Burnes—1.

Absent—Messrs. Bradford, Cunningham, Darnas, Everett, Gilstrap,

Hill, Kelly, McFarland, Morgan, Mott, Murray, Powers, Sitton, Webb and White.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Bogy, Britton, Graves, Hughes, Jackson and Phillips.

Sick—Mr. Clippard.

Mr. Lionberger having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Fayette, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors being still in order,

Mr. Lightner, of the House, nominated E. H. Dennis.

Mr. Garth, of the House, nominated John Viley.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Dennis.....	75
For Mr. Viley.....	49
For Mr. Coffee.....	2
For Mr. Henry.....	2
For Mr. Harrison.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Dennis—Messrs. Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of Clark, Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McCulloch, McFall, McMurtry, Morrow, Mott, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. Louis, Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of Henry, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—63.

For Mr. Viley—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Botts, Brady, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Green, of F., Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Minor, Monroe, Moseley, Murray, Nevill, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Whitaker and White—87.

For Mr. Henry—Messrs. Shambaugh and Smith, of S.—2.

For Mr. Coffee—Messrs. Mothersead and Williams, of D.—2.

Absent—Messrs. Bradford, Brown, of Jefferson, Burnet, Cunningham, Darnes, Everett, Harding, Kelly, Lewis, of St. L., McMahan, Medley, Moore, Morgan, Neill, Webb and Wyatt.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Bogy, Britton, Graves, Hughes, Jackson and Phillips.

Sick—Mr. Clippard.

Mr. Dennis having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Fayette, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for President of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Palmyra, being then in order,

Mr. Gentry, of the House, nominated Richard C. Martin.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Martin.....	119
For Ben. Davis.....	3
For Mr. Kitchen.....	1
For Mr. Zeigler.....	1
For Mr. Mothersead.....	2
For Mr. Coffee.....	1
For Mr. Poulter.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Martin—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. Louis, Bullock, Burnet, Burnies, Chilton, Cravens, Darby, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dyer, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, McAfee, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McCulloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monroe, Moseley, Morrow, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Parcels, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, Wall, Whitaker, White, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—96.

For Mr. Davis—Messrs. Crosswhite, Gilstrap and McClain, of St. Clair—3.

For Mr. Mothesead—Messrs. Everett and Shambaugh—2.

For Mr. Kitchen—Mr. Mott—1.

For Mr. Zeigler—Mr. Mothersead—1.

For Mr. Coffee—Mr. Tucker—1.

Absent—Messrs. Bradford, Brown, of N., Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Donelan, Dorriess, Kelly, McFarland, Moore, Morgan, Powers, Smith, of S., Turner, Webb and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Bogy, Britton, Graves, Hughes, Jackson and Phillips.

Sick—Mr. Clippard.

Mr. Martin having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected President of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Palmyra, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Palmyra, being then in order,

Mr. Carson, of the Senate, nominated J. H. Kibby.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Kibby.....	116
For Mr. Tucker.....	1
For Mr. Carr.....	1
For Mr. Rogers.....	1
For Mr. Mothersead.....	1
For Mr. McAfee.....	1
For Ben. Davis.....	1
For Henry Priest.....	1
For John P. Sebree.....	1
For Mr. Price.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Kibby—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. Louis, Bullock, Burnet, Chilton, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harrison, Harding, Harris, Harde- man, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McAfee, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Monro, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Parcels, Pratt, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. Louis, Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Whitaker, White, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—96.

For Mr. Sebree—Mr. Burnes—1.

For Mr. McAfee—Mr. Garth—1.

For Mr. Davis—Mr. Holmes—1.

For Mr. Price—Mr. Mott—1.

For Mr. Priest—Mr. Shambaugh—1.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Mr. Kibby having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Palmyra, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors being still in order,
Mr. Fagg, of the House, nominated Francis Davis.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Davis.....	103
For Mr. Darnes.....	1
For Mr. Coffee.....	2
For Mr. Mott.....	1
For Mr. Botts.....	1
For Mr. Boyd.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Davis—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Chilton, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harrison, Harding, Harris, Harde-
man, Hickox, Holmes, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings,
Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McAfee, McCary, Mc-
Carty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McMurtry, McSpad-
den, Monro, Morgan, Morrow, Powers, Pratt, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins,
Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Staudif-
ford, Todd, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams of D., Williams, of
H., Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—86.

For Mr. Mott—Mr. Botts—1.

For Mr. Coffee—Messrs. Boyd and McMahan—2.

For Mr Darnes—Mr. Lewis, of St. L.—1.

For Mr. Botts—Mr. Mott—1.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Brady, Bradford, Doniphan, of C., Dor-
riss, Gilstrap, Goode, Guitar, Hardin, Heryford, Hill, Kelly, McClain,
of St. C., McFarland, Medley, Minor, Moore, Moseley, Mothersead,
Murray, Neill, Nevill, Parcells, Patrick, Reid, Shambaugh, Smith, of
S., Tucker and Turner.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Mr. Clippard.*

Mr. Davis having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared
duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at
Palmyra, for the ensuing two years.

Mr. Mott, of the House, moved that the joint session take a recess
until 9 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow ;

Which was decided in the negative.

Nominations for Directors being still in order,

Mr. Newland, of the House, nominated William P. Samuel.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Samuel.....	96
For Mr. Mothersead.....	1
For Mr. Carson.....	1
For Mr. Priest.	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Samuel—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Botts, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, King, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McAfee, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Monro, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Neill, Parcells, Powers, Pratt, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Wall, Whitaker, Williams, of H., Yeats and Mr. Speaker—83.

For Mr. Priest—Mr. Murray—1.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Bohannon, Brady, Bradford, Chilton, Clipard, Cunningham, Doniphan, of C., Dorris, Gilstrap, Goode, Guitar, Harris, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Jones, Kelly, Layton, Lewis, of St. L., McClain, of St. C., McFarland, Medley, Minor, Moore, Mothersead, Nevill, Patrick, Reid, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of S., Turner, Webb, White, Williams, of D., and Wyatt.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Bogy Britton, Graves, Hughes, Jackson and Phillips.

Mr. Samuel having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Palmyra, for the ensuing two years.

On motion of Mr. Richardson, of the Senate,

The joint session took a recess until 9 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow.

The Senate then retired to their Chamber, and the Speaker resumed the chair, when,

Mr. Todd, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act giving further time to Collectors of the Revenue for returning the delinquent lists for 1854 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Hardin, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to authorize and encourage the establishment of Agricultural Societies in the several counties in this State, and to regulate the same ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Whitaker, on leave, called up Senate bill entitled,

An act declaring James L. D. Blevins, of Cole county, capable of contracting :

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Smith, of P., on leave, called up Senate concurrent resolution, requesting the Committees on the Penitentiary of the two Houses to act jointly ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Darnes,

Master Thomas Dorris was allowed to act as messenger for the House.

On motion of Mr. Isbell,

The House adjourned.

FRIDAY MORNING, JANUARY 19, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Mr. Bean asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Drake.

Mr. Garth asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Parcells.

Mr. Smith, of P., asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Bradford.

Mr. Wall asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hardin.

Mr. Hardin asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. McFarland.

The question pending on the arrival of the Senate on yesterday to lay the substitute offered by Mr. Breckinridge, to the resolution of Mr. Blakey, on the table, was taken up, and pending the call of the roll of the House,

The Senate, accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate took the Speaker's chair and announced that nominations for the fourth Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Palmyra, were in order,

Mr. Feagan, of the House, nominated William B. Phillips.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Phillips.....	113
For Mr. Hay	2
For Mr. Davis.....	1
For Mr. Taylor.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Phillips—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. Louis, Bullock, Burnes, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of Clay, Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Houghton, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Minor, Moore, Monro, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Whitaker, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—93.

For Mr. Hay—Messrs. Green, of L., and Heryford—2.

For Mr. Taylor—Mr. Holmes—1.

For Mr. Davis—Mr. White—1.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Burnet, Chilton, Gilstrap, Harding, Hill, Howell, McAfee, McCarty, Medley, Nevill, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh and Webb.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Bogy, Bradford, Britton, Drake, Graves, Hughes, Jackson, McFarland, Parcels and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard and Mothersead.

Mr. Phillips having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Palmyra, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors being still in order,

Mr. Gentry, of the House, nominated Brison Stillwell.

Mr. Green, of L., of the House, nominated William Eads.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Stillwell,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	83
For Mr. Eads,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32
For Mr. Anderson,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
For James Eagon,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Stillwell—Messrs. Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F.,

Guitar, Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Houghton, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Neill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Ritchey, Roberts, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—69.

For Mr. Eads—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Botts, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorriess, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Green, of L., Heryford, McClain, of St. C., Monro, Reid, Standiford, Whitaker, White and Williams of D.—24.

For Mr. Anderson—Mr. Smith, of S.—1.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Brady, Burnet, Chilton, Gilstrap, Harding, Hill, Holmes, Howell, McAfee, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Murray, Nevill, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton and Webb.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Bogy, Bradford, Britton, Drake, Graves, Hughes, Jackson, McFarland, Parcells and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard and Mothersead.

Mr. Stillwell having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Palmyra, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors being still in order,

Mr. Fagg, of the House, nominated Thomas Richardson.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Richardson,	-	-	-	-	-	101
For M. Hay,	-	-	-	-	-	2
For Mr. Eagon,	-	-	-	-	-	1
For Mr. Kelly,	-	-	-	-	-	2
For Mr. Parcells,	-	-	-	-	-	1
For Mr. Davis,	-	-	-	-	-	2
For Mr. Raymond,	-	-	-	-	-	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Richardson—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Fant, Fagg, Feagan, Field, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Monro, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Neill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of

B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Whitaker, Williams, of H., and Yates—79.

For Mr. Hay—Mr. Botts—1.

For Mr. Kelly—Messrs. Brown, of N., and Darby—2.

For Mr. Parcells—Mr. Dorriss—1.

For Mr. Davis—Messrs. Frost and Holmes—2.

For Mr. Raymond—Mr. Heryford—1.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Brady, Burnet, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Gilstrap, Harding, Hill, McAfee, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McFall, Medley, Minor, Moore, Mott, Murray, Nevill, Shambaugh, Webb, White, Williams, of D., Wyatt and Mr. Speaker.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Bogy, Bradford, Britton, Drake, Graves, Hughes, Jackson, McFarland, Parcells and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard and Mothersead.

Mr. Richardson having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Palmyra, for the ensuing two years.

The President then announced that nominations for President of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Springfield, were in order.

Mr. Boyd, of the House, nominated John S. Kimbrough.

Mr. Morrow, of the House, nominated Larkin Payne.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Kimbrough,	-	-	-	-	-	-	59
For Mr. Payne,	-	-	-	-	-	-	73
For Mr. Frost,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Kimbrough—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Blakey, Boyd, Brady, Brown, of J., Bullock, Burnes, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Dorriss, Dyer, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Goode, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Lewis, of St. L., McFarland, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monro, Murray, Reid, Ritchey, Shelton, Smith, of S, Turner, Wal., Webb, Whitaker, White and Wyatt—45.

For Mr. Payne—Messrs. Blair, Bohannon, Botts, Breckinridge, Brown, of St. L., Chilton, Clark, Cunningham, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hough-

ton, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, Williams, of H., Yates and Mr. Speaker—57.

For Mr. Frost—Messrs. Shambaugh and Williams, of D.—2.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Burnet, Everett, Harding, Lewis, of C., McAfee, McCary, McMurtry, Moseley, Nevill and Tucker.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Bogy, Bradford, Britton, Drake, Graves, Hardin, Hughes, Jackson, Parcells and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard and Mothersead.

Mr. Payne having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected President of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Springfield, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Springfield, being in order,

Mr. Boyd, of the House, nominated John S. Kimbrough.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Kimbrough.....	107
For Mr. Polk	1
For Mr. Cannifax.....	2

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Kimbrough—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Burnes, Chilton, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Oyer, Everett, Ewing, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Houghton, Hickox, Holmes, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, King, Layton, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape of G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, Moore, Monro, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, White, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—87.

For Mr. Cannifax—Mr. Hill—1.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Brady, Bullock, Burnet, Dodson, Fagg, Gilstrap, Goode, Harding, Heryford, Jones, Kelly, Lewis, of C., McAfee, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Mott, Nevill, Reid, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of P., Webb, Whitaker and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Kimbrough having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Springfield, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors being still in order,

Mr. Hamer, of the Senate, nominated Horace Snow.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Snow	103
For Mr. Anderson.....	1
For Mr. Cannifax.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Snow—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, St. L., Chilton, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Dorriss, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Holmes, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McCulloch, McFall, McMahan, Monro, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Murray, Neill, Pratt, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, White, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., Yeats and Mr. Speaker—82.

For Mr. Anderson—Mr. Brown, of N.—1.

For Mr. Cannifax—Mr. Hill—1.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Brady, Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Donelan, Gilstrap, Goode, Green, of L., Harding, Heryford, Kelly, Lewis, of C., McAfee, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Mott, Nevill, Patrick, Powers, Reid, Shambaugh, Smith, of P., Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker and Wyatt.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Snow having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected President of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Springfield, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors being still in order,

Mr. Morrow, of the House, nominated Elijah Gray.

Mr. Coffee, of the Senate, nominated Robert W. Crawford.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Gray.....	68
For Mr. Crawford.....	24
For Mr. Edwards.....	1
For Mr. Sitton.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Gray—Messrs. Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnes, Clark, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of P., Everett, Ewing, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lightner, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McSpadden, Morrow, Neill, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. Louis, Todd, Turner, Williams, of Henry, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—55.

For Mr. Crawford—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Brown, of J., Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dorris, Garth, Gilstrap, Lewis, of St. L., McFarland, Monro, Moseley, Murray, Ritchey, Tucker, Wall and Whitaker—19.

For Mr. Sitton—Mr. Darnes—1.

For Mr. Edwards—Mr. Holmes—1.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Brady, Brown, of N., Burnet, Cunningham, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Dyer, Fagg, Goode, Green, of Lewis, Harding, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Kelly, Lewis, of C., McAfee, McCary, McCarty, McClain, of St. C., McMurtry, Medley, Minor, Moore, Morgan, Mott, Nevill, Patrick, Powers, Reid, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of P., Smith, of S., Standiford, Webb, White, Williams, of D., and Wyatt.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Gray having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Springfield, for the ensuing two years.

On motion of Mr. King, of the House,

The joint session took a recess until 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate then retired to their Chamber, and the Speaker resumed the chair.

On motion of Mr. Hardin,

The House adjourned.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that the President of the Senate has signed enrolled House bills of the following titles:

An act for the benefit of Samuel Richardson, of Moniteau county;

An act to repeal an act entitled, "An act for opening and repairing roads and highways in Andrew county," approved February 24th, 1853;

An act to repeal an act entitled, "An act to establish a probate court in the county of Bates;"

An act for the benefit of Edward N. Gerard;

An act entitled, an act to repeal so much of an act establishing probate courts in Hickory county, as relates to county courts therein.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed:

An act for the relief of Frederick Miller and Thomas McCarthy;

An act confirming the organization of Dent county.

Mr. Green, of L., asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Darby.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Senate, accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate took the chair.

Nominations for Directors of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Springfield, being in order,

Mr. Blakey, of the House, nominated James Dunn.

Mr. Boyd, of the House, nominated H. B. Holland.

Mr. Mayo, of the Senate, nominated William L. Vaughn.

Mr. Coffee, of the Senate, nominated James Atkisson.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Dunn.....	75
For Mr. Holland.....	9
For Mr. Vaughn.....	8
For Mr. Atkisson.....	35

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Dunn—Messrs. Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Clark, Crosswhite, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Hughes, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, Medley, Moore, Mouro, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt and Yeats—64.

For Mr. Holland—Messrs. Boyd, Brady, Dodson, Frost, Jeffress, McCarty and Mr. Speaker—7.

For Mr. Vaughn—Messrs. McClain, of St. C., Morgan, Sitton and Standiford—4.

For Mr. Atkisson—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Botts, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Cravens, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Garth, Green, of L., Heryford, Holmes, Howell, McFarland, McMurtry, McSpadden, Minor, Murray, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—28.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Burnet, Donelan, Gilstrap, Goode, Hill, Houghton, Jennings, McAfee, McCary and Moseley.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard, Mothersead and Webb.

Mr. Dunn having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Springfield, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors being still in order,

Mr. Tucker, of the House, nominated E. A. Switzler.

Mr. Hamer, of the Senate, nominated J. A. Rayle.

Mr. Mayo, of the Senate, nominated William L. Vaughn.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Switzler.....	33
For Mr. Rayle.....	54
For Mr. Vaughn.....	21

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Switzler—Messrs. Bean, Boyd, Brown, of J., Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of Clay, Doniphan, of Platte, Ewing, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McMahan, McMurtry, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Rollins, Shelton, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Williams, of H., Wyatt and Yeats—31.

For Mr. Rayle—Messrs. Blakey, Blair, Breckinridge, Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Dodson, Donelan, Everett, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Green, of F., Harris, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McCulloch, McFall, Monro, Morrow, Mott, Murray, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., and Smith, of St. L.—39.

For Mr. Vaughn—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bohannon, Botts, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Field, Green, of L., Heryford, McClain, of St. Clair, McSpadden, Morgan, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Standiford and Mr. Speaker—20.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Brady, Burnet, Cravens, Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Gilstrap, Goode, Hill, Holmes, Houghton, Kelly, McCary, Medley Minor, Moore, Shambaugh, Smith, of P., Smith, of S., Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Bogy, Bradford, Britton, Darby, Graves, Jackson, McFarland, Parcells and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard and Mothersead.

Neither candidate having received a majority of all the votes given, the joint session were about to proceed to the second ballot for a fifth Director, when,

Mr. Mayo, of the Senate, withdrew the nomination of Mr. Vaughn.

The joint session then proceeded to the second ballot for the fifth Director, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Switzler.....	38
For Mr. Rayle.....	73
For Mr. Vaughn.....	1
For Mr. Acock.....	2

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Switzler—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Boyd, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Chilton, Darnes, Doniphan, of Clay, Dorriss, Dyer, Ewing, Frost, Garth, Harding, Hardin, Hickox, Holmes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, McClain, of St. C., McSpadden, Morgan, Moseley, Nevill, Reid, Ritchey, Rollins, Standiford, Tucker, Williams, of D., Williams, of Henry, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—34.

For Mr. Rayle—Messrs. Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Botts, Breckinridge, Brown, of St. L., Burnes, Clark, Cunningham, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of P., Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Heryford, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McMurtry, Monro, Morrow, Mott, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Todd and Wyatt—54.

For Mr. Acock—Messrs. Crosswhite, and Cravens—2.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Brady, Bullock, Burnet, Donelan, Everett, Gilstrap, Goode, Hill, Houghton, Howell, McAfee, McCary, McMahan, Medley, Minor, Moore, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of Pettis, Turner, Wall, Whitaker and White.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Rayle having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Springfield, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors being still in order,

Mr. Jennings, of the House, nominated John P. Vance.

Mr. Moseley, of the House, nominated Robert J. McElhenny.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Vance.....	59
For Mr. McElhenny.....	62
For Mr. Vaughn.....	1
For Mr. Breckinridge.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Vance—Messrs. Bean, Blakey, Blair, Breckinridge, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Cunningham, Davis, Doniphan, of C., Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harris, Harde-
man, Houghton, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton,
Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall,
Morrow, Mott, Neill, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Sitton, Smith, of Bollinger,
Smith, of P., Smith, of St. Louis, Standiford, Todd, Turner, Wyatt and
Yeats—49.

For Mr. McElhenny—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bohannon, Butts,
Boyd, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite,
Cravens, Darnes, Dodson, Dorriess, Dyer, Ewing, Frost, Garth, Green, of
L., Harding, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Holmes, Howell, Hughes, Lewis,
of C., Lewis, of St. L., McClain, of St. Clair, McFarland, McMurtry,
McSpadden, Monro, Moseley, Murray, Nevill, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh,
Smith, of S., Tucker, Whitaker, Williams, of Daviess, Williams, of H.,
and Mr. Speaker—46.

For Mr. Breckinridge—Mr. Doniphan, of Platte—1.

For Mr. Vaughn—Mr. Morgan—1.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Brady, Burnet, Donelan, Everett, Gilstrap,
Goode, Hill, McAfee, McMahan, Medley, Minor, Moore, Patrick, Pow-
ers, Shelton, Wall, Webb and White.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. McElhenny having received a majority of all the votes given, was
declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Mis-
souri, at Springfield, for the ensuing two years.

Mr. Heryford, of the House, moved that the joint session take a recess
until 10 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow;

Which was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Green, of L., of the House,

The joint session then took a recess until 9 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow.

The Senate having retired to their Chamber, the Speaker resumed the
chair.

Mr. King, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to organize the county of Maries;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and
referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. King, Isbell, Hill,
Medley and Sitton.

Mr. Moseley, from the committee appointed to examine into the condition of the office of the Register of Lands, submitted a report, which was,

On motion of Mr. Reid, laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Reid,

The House adjourned.

SATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 20TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that a bill of the following title has been introduced into the Senate and passed:

An act to extend the time limited for the completion of the Central Plank Road, in the county of St. Louis, and for other purposes.

Mr. Williams, of D., asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Nevill, for four days.

Mr. Sitton asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Isbell.

Mr. Reid asked and obtained leave of absence for the Committee on the Lunatic Asylum.

On motion of Mr. Cunningham,

Mr. Blakey was added to the committee on the Lunatic Asylum.

Mr. Goode, from the select committee to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act regulating interest;

Submitted a report, which was,

On motion of Mr. Brown, of N., laid on the table, and one hundred and fifty copies of the report and bill ordered to be printed.

The Senate, accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate took the chair, and announced that nominations for President of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Lexington, were in order.

Gr. Grover, of the Senate, nominated Eldridge Burden;

Mr. Brown, of the Senate, nominated William M. Jacobs.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Burden.....	68
For Mr. Jacobs.....	64
For Mr. Morrison.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Burden—Messrs. Blair, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown of St. L., Bullock, Barrett, Clark, Cunningham, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Houghton, Hughes, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, Moore, Morrow, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of St. L., Todd, Turner, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—58.

For Mr. Jacobs—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Blakey, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Brown, of N., Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Green, of L., Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Lewis, of St. L., McCary, McClain, of St. C., McFarland, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Minor, Monro, Morgan, Mott, Murray, Powers, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Tucker, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—48.

Absent—Messrs. Darnes, Hickox, McAfee, Medley, Moseley, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., and Standiford.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Bogy, Bradford, Britton, Darby, Drake, Graves, Isbell, Jackson, Nevill, Parcells and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard and Mothersead.

Mr. Burden having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected President of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Lexington, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Lexington, being in order,

Mr. Clark, of the House, nominated William Morrison.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Morrison.....	112
For Mr. Doniphan, of P.	1
For Thompson Ewing.....	1
For William Shields.....	1
For Kirk Anderson.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Morrison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Bohannon, Botts, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Harde-

man, Howell, Hughes, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Monro, Morgan, Mott, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Standiford, Todd, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—88.

For Mr. Anderson—Mr. Brown, of N.

Absent—Messrs. Blakey, Boyd, Brady, Burnet, Doniphan, of C., Gilstrap, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Houghton, McAfee, McCarty, McClain, of St. C., Medley, Minor, Moore, Morrow, Moseley and White.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Bogy, Bradford, Britton, Darby, Drake, Graves, Hardin, Isbell, Jackson, McFarland, Nevill, Parcells and Phillips.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Morrison having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Lexington, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors being still in order,

Mr. Neill, of the House, nominated William H. Russell.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Russell,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	110
For James Young,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
For Mr. Coffee,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
For Mr. Burnes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
For Mr. Cockrill,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Russell—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brown, of Jefferson, Brown, of Nodaway, Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Heryford, Houghton, Howell, Hughes, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Monro, Morgan, Moseley, Neill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Roberts, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Todd, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—87.

For Mr. Coffee—Mr. Hill—1.

For Mr. Burnes—Mr. Holmes—1.

For Mr. Cockrill—Mr. Tucker—1.

Absent—Messrs. Brady, Burnet, Gilstrap, Hickox, Kelly, Lewis, of St. L., McAfee, McClain, of St. C., Medley, Minor, Moore, Morrow, Mott, Murray, Smith, of P., Standiford, Turner and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Blakey, Bogy, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Darby, Doniphan, of C., Drake, Graves, Hardin, Isbell, Jackson, McFarland, Nevill, Parcells, Phillips and Ritchey.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Russell having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Lexington, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors being still in order,

Mr. Standiford, of the House, nominated James H. Williams.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Williams..... 114

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Williams—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Bean, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of Platte, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Heryford, Houghton, Howell, Hughes, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Moore, Monroe, Morgan, Moseley, Mott, Neill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Roberts, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Standiford, Todd, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—91.

Absent—Messrs. Blair, Brady, Brown, of Nodaway, Burnet, Gilstrap, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Kelly, McAfee, Medley, Minor, Morrow, Murray, Smith, of P., Tucker and White.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Williams having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Lexington, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors being still in order,

Mr. Hughes, of the House, nominated George J. Wasson.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Wasson.....	109
For Mr. Reid.....	1
For Mr. Acock.....	1
For Mr. Vance.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Wasson—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Blair, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Chilton, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Heryford, Holmes, Houghton, Howell, Hughes, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape Girardeau, McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Moore, Morgan, Moseley, Mott, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton, Sit on, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of Sullivan, Standiford, Todd, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of Daviess, Wyatt Yeats and Mr. Speaker—88.

For Mr. Reid—Mr. Burnes—1.

For Mr. Acock—Mr. Hill—1.

For Mr. Vance—Mr. Tucker—1.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Blakey, Brady, Brown, of N., Burnet, Doniphan, of C., Farrar, Gilstrap, Hickox, Kelly, McAfee, Medley, Minor, Monroe, Morrow, Roberts, Smith, of P., Turner and Williams, of Henry.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Bogy, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Darby, Drake, Graves, Hardin, Isbell, Jackson, McFarland, Nevill, Parcells, Phillips and Ritchey.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard and Mothersead.

Mr. Wasson having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Lexington, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors still being in order,

Mr. Field, of the House, nominated Richard G. Buckingham.

Mr. Dorris, of the House, nominated James S. Lightner.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Buckingham.....	61
For Mr. Lightner.....	57

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Buckingham—Messrs. Bean, Blair, Bohannon, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Cunningham, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hughes, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, Moseley, Mott, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of St. L., Todd, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—52.

For Mr. Lightner—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Botts, Boyd, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darnes, Dodson, Donelan, Dorries, Dyer, Frost, Garth, Goode, Green, of L., Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Houghton, Howell, McSpadden, Monroe, Morgan, Murray, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Standiford, Tucker, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—41.

Absent—Messrs. Blakey, Brady, Burnet, Doniphan, of C., Gilstrap, Hickox, Kelly, McAfee, McClain, of St. Clair, Medley, Minor, Moore, Morrow, Powers, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., and Turner.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Bogy, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Darby, Drake, Graves, Hardin, Isbell, Jackson, McFarland, Nevill, Parcels and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard and Mothersead.

Mr. Buckingham having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Lexington, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors being still in order,

Mr. Peery, of the Senate, nominated Hiram Wilcox.

Mr. Doniphan, of P., of the House, nominated Daniel P. Wallingford.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Wilcox..... 53

For Mr. Wallingford..... 62

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Wilcox—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Bean, Botts, Boyd, Brown, of N., Bullock, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Dodson, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Green, of L., Harding, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Jennings, McMurtry, McSpadden, Monroe, Moseley, Murray, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Sitton, Smith, of S., Tucker, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—40.

For Mr. Wallingford—Messrs. Blair, Bohannon, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. Louis, Burnes, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of

P., Dorris, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Houghton, Hughes, Jeffress, Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McMahan, Moore, Mott, Neill, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., Todd, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—52.

Absent—Messrs. Blakey, Brady, Burnet, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Hickox, Kelly, McAfee, McClain, of St. Clair, McFall, Medley, Minor, Morgan, Morrow, Patrick, Powers, Smith, of P., Standiford and Turner.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Bogy, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Darby, Drake, Graves, Hardin, Isbell, Jackson, McFarland, Nevill, Parcells and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard and Mothershead.

Mr. Wallingford having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Lexington, for the ensuing two years.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, of the Senate,

The joint session took a recess until 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate having retired to their Chamber, the Speaker resumed the chair.

On motion of Mr. Harding,

The House adjourned.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER : I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate :

An act to establish a ferry across the Missouri river ;

An act to authorize the Register of Lands to issue certain patents to persons in Livingston county ;

An act to amend an act entitled, " An act to incorporate the Mammoth Company ;"

A bill of the following title has passed the Senate :

An act for the relief of Allen Crook, late Sheriff of Andrew county.

The Senate has passed resolutions respectfully requesting the House of Representatives to return to the Senate, bills of the following titles :

A bill for the relief of Frederick Miller and Thomas McCarthy ;

An act confirming the organization of Dent county.

Mr. Dorris, from the select committee to whom was referred the petition of William C. Remington ; on leave, reported by bill entitled,

A bill for the relief of William C. Remington, of Platte county ;
Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

The Speaker laid before the House the biennial report of the Home Mutual Fire and Marine Insurance Company, which was,

On motion of Mr. Barret,

Laid on the table and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Barrett asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Harris.

Mr. Smith, of S., on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to change a portion of a State road, in Sullivan county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Donelan, on leave, presented the petition of John W. Woods and others, praying for a county road to be made a State road ;

Which was, on his motion, referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Gilstrap, on leave, presented the petition of John Hill and others, praying that the name of the town of Centerville, in Macon county, may be changed to Woodville ;

Which was, on his motion, referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Gilstrap, Crosswhite and Minor.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Senate, accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate having taken the chair, announced that nominations for President of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Cape Girardeau were in order.

Nominations for President of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Cape Girardeau, being in order,

Mr. Goode, of the House, nominated William Moseley.

Mr. Blow, of the Senate, nominated Andrew Gibony.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Moseley.....	80
For Mr. Gibony	35
For Mr. Shelby.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr Moseley—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darnes, Dodson, Doniphan, of P., Dyer, Dorris, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Goode, Green, of L., Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Heryford, Holmes, Howell, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, McCary, McCarty, McClain, of St. C., McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Moore, Monro, Morgan, Mott, Murray, Patrick, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of S., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., and Wyatt—62.

For Mr. Gibony—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. Louis, Clark,

Davis, Fant, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lightner, McClain, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, Neill, Pratt, Rollins, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., Yeats and Mr. Speaker—27.

For Mr. Shelby—Mr. Donelan—1.

Absent—Messrs. Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Hickox, Hill, Kelly, McAfee, Medley, Moseley, Powers, Smith, of P., and Standiford.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Blakey, Bogy, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Burnet, Darby, Doniphan, of C., Drake, Graves, Harris, Hardin, Isbell, Jackson, McFarland, Minor, Morrow, Nevill, Parcells and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard, Houghton and Mothersead.

Mr. Moseley having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected President of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Cape Girardeau, for the ensuing two years.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, of the Senate,

The joint session took a recess until Monday morning, at 10 o'clock.

The Senate having retired to their Chamber, and the Speaker resumed the chair, when,

On motion of Mr. Jeffress,

The House adjourned until 10 o'clock, A. M., Monday.

MONDAY MORNING, JANUARY 22D, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Bills of the following titles were ordered to be returned to the Senate, in accordance with their request:

An act for the relief of Frederick Miller and Thomas McCarthy.

An act confirming the organization of Dent county.

Mr. Shambaugh, on leave, introduced a bill entitled:

An act supplementary to, and amendatory of, an act entitled, An act donating certain swamp and overflowed lands to the counties in which they lie, approved March 3d, 1851;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, referred to the Committee on Swamp Lands, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

The Speaker laid before the House of Representatives the following communication from the Governor:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
City of Jefferson, Mo., January 22d, 1855. }

To the Hon., the House of Representatives :

GENTLEMEN : I have this day approved and signed bills of the following titles :

An act for the benefit of Edward N. Gerard ;

An act to repeal an act entitled, An act to establish a Probate Court in the county of Bates ;

An act to repeal an act entitled, An act for opening and repairing roads and highways in Andrew county, approved February 24th, 1858 ;

An act for the benefit of Samuel Richardson, of Moniteau county ;

An act entitled, An act to repeal so much of an act establishing Probate Courts in Hickory county, as relates to county courts therein.

Very respectfully,

STERLING PRICE.

Mr. Dyer, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act giving county courts jurisdiction with the circuit courts in partition of real estate ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Davis, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to protect slave property in Missouri ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Senate, accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate took the chair, and announced that nominations for Directors of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Cape Girardeau, were in order.

Mr. Darnes, of the House, nominated Andrew Gibony.

No other nominations being made, the joint session were about to proceed to call the rolls, when,

On motion of Mr. King, of the House,

The joint session took a recess until 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate having retired to their chamber, the Speaker resumed the chair, when,

On motion of Mr. Herding,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Senate, accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate took the chair and announced that nominations for Directors of the Branch Bank of the State Missouri, at Cape Girardeau, were in order, and that Andrew Gibony was in nomination.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Gibony..... 109

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Gibony—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Heryford, Holmes, Howell, Hughes, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Moore, Monro, Moseley, Mott, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitten, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—87.

Absent—Messrs. Boyd, Gilstrap, Goode, Hickox, Hill, Houghton, Layton, McAfee, Morgan, Murray, Neill, Shambaugh, Smith, of P., Smith, of S., Turner and Williams of D.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Blakey, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Burnet, Darby, Doniphan, of C., Drake, Graves, Harris, Hardin, Isbell, Jackson, Kelly, McFarland, Minor, Morrow, Nevill, Parcells and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard, Mothersead and Powers.

Mr. Gibony having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Cape Girardeau, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors being still in order,

Mr. King, of the House, nominated Francis M. Vallé.

Mr. Holmes, of the House, nominated Aaron Snyder.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Vallé..... 77

For Mr. Snyder..... 31

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Vallé—Messrs. Barrett, Bean, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Howell, Hughes, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall,

McMurtry, Moore, Monro, Moseley, Mott, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. Louis, Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—64.

For Mr. Snyder—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Dorriess, Everett, Garth, Green, of L., Heryford, Hill, Holmes, McClain, of St. Clair, McSpadden, Medley, Ritchey, Smith, of S., Wall, Webb, Whitaker and White—24.

Absent—Messrs. Boyd, Dyer, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Hardeman, Hickox, McAfee, McMahan, Morgan, Reid, Shambaugh, Smith, of P., and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard, Houghton, Mothersead and Powers.

Mr. Vallé having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Cape Girardeau, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors being still in order,

Mr. Russell, of the Senate, nominated William A. Penny.

Mr. Jeffress, of the House, nominated George Bierman.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Penny.....	84
For Mr. Bierman.....	29

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Penny—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bran, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darnes, Iodson, Doniphan, of P., Dorriess, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Harrison, Harding, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McCary, McCarly, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Moore, Monro, Moseley, Mott, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of S., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of H., Wyatt and Yeats—64.

For Mr. Bierman—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Green, of L., Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lightner, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Medley, Pratt, Rollins, Sitton and Smith, of St. L.—24.

Absent—Messrs. Boyd, Davis, Feagan, Gilstrap, Goode, Guitar, Hardeman, Hickox, Houghton, McAfee, Morgan, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard, Mothersead and Powers.

Mr. Penny having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Cape Girardeau, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors being still in order,

Mr. Darnes, of the House, nominated Alexander Waugh, Sen'r.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Waugh.....	106
For Mr. Bierman.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Waugh—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Bean, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Heryford, Holmes, Howoll, Hughes, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, McAfee, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Moore, Monro, Moseley, Mott, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Ritchey, Roberts, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Wall, Whitaker, White, Williams, of D., Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—87.

Absent—Messrs. Blair, Boyd, Field, Gilstrap, Goode, Hickox, Hill, Houghton, Lewis, of O., Morgan, Murray, Reid, Rollins, Shambaugh, Smith, of Pettis, Turner and Webb.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Waugh having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Cape Girardeau, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors being still in order,

Mr. Darnes, of the House, nominated Jacob R. Ingram.

Mr. Mott, of the House, nominated Levi H. Moulder.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Ingram.....	75
For Mr. Moulder.....	10
For Mr. Stephens.....	1
For P. H. Davis.....	2
For K. Anderson.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Ingram—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Bean, Bogy, Bohannon, Boyd, Brown, of J., Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Dyer, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Hardeman, Heryford, Howell, Hughes, Lewis, of St. L., McAfee, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McMahan, McMurry, Medley, Moore, Moseley, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Wall, White, Williams, of H., Yates and Mr. Speaker—58.

For Mr. Moulder—Messrs. Brown, of St. L., Burnes, Green, of F., Jennings and Mott—5.

For Mr. Davis—Messrs. Jeffress and Lightner—2.

For Mr. Stephens—Mr. Holmes—1.

For Mr. Anderson—Mr. King—1.

Absent—Messrs. Blair, Botts, Brown, of N., Bullock, Clark, Donelan, Everett, Fant, Feagan, Field, Gilstrap, Goode, Harding, Hickox, Hill, Jones, Layton, Lewis, of C., McClain, of St. C., McFall, McSpadden, Monro, Morgan, Reid, Roberts, Rollins, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of S., Turner, Webb, Whitaker, Williams of D., and Wyatt.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard, Houghton, Mothersead and Powers.

Mr. Ingram having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Cape Girardeau, for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Directors being still in order,

Mr. White, of the House, nominated Aaron Snyder.

Mr. Brown, of St. L., of the House, nominated Priestly Whitney.

No other nominations being made, and the rolls of the two Houses being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Snyder..... 53

For Mr. Whitney..... 33

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Snyder—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brown, of J., Bullock, Burnes, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darnes, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Frost, Garth, Harrison, Heryford, Holmes, Hughes, Lewis, of St. Louis, McAfee, McCarty, McMahan, Melley, Monro, Moseley, Murray, Patrick, Reid, Ritchey, Shelton, Todd, Tucker, Wall, White, Williams, of H., and Yeats—40.

For Mr. Whitney—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Cunningham, Davis, Doniphan, of Platte, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Hardeman, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, Mott, Neill, Pratt, Smith, of St. L., Standiford and Mr. Speaker—28.

Absent—Messrs Brown, of N., Chilton, Darby, Donelan, Everett, Fant, Feagan, Field, Gilstrap, Goode, Green, of L., Harding, Hickox, Hill, Howell, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., McClain, of St. Clair, McMurtry, McSpadden, Moore, Morgan, Roberts, Rollins, Shambaugh, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of S., Turner, Webb, Whitaker, Williams, of D., and Wyatt.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Snyder having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Director of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Cape Girardeau, for the ensuing two years.

The President of the Senate then announced to the joint session that the purposes for which they had convened were accomplished, when,

On motion of Mr. Burnes, of the House,

The joint session adjourned *sine die*.

The Senate retired to their Chamber, and the Speaker resumed the chair.

On motion of Mr. Brown, of St. L.,

The House adjourned.

TUESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 23RD, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

John Buford, member elect from the county of Reynolds, appeared, presented his credentials, was qualified, and took his seat.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that joint resolutions of the following title have been introduced into the Senate :

Joint resolutions authorizing the Secretary of State to certify to the Governor the election of Abiel Leonard, as Judge of the Supreme Court.

The question before the House being the motion to lay the substitute of Mr. Breckinridge, for Mr. Blakey's resolution, on the table, was taken up and decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Gilstrap :

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Boyd, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darnes, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Goode, Green, of L., Harding, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Hughes, Lewis, of St. L., McAfee, McClair, of St. C., McMurtry, McSpadden, Moore, Monroe, Morgan, Moseley, Murray, Patrick, Reid, Ritchey, Shambagh, Smith, of S., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of Daviess, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt and Yeats—56.

NOES—Messrs. Barrett, Bean, Blair, Burnes, Clark, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Hardeman, Howell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, Mott, Neill, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Mr. Speaker—40.

Absent—Messrs. Bohannon, Brown, of St. L., Hickox, McCarty, McMahan, Medley and Smith, of P.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Brady, Blakey, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Burnet, Darby, Doniphan, of C., Drake, Graves, Harris, Hardin, Isbell, Jackson, Kelly, McFarland, Minor, Morrow, Nevill, Parcells and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs Clippard, Houghton, Mothersead and Powers.

The question then being on the adoption of the resolution offered by Mr. Blakey, requesting J. A. Goodlett, the contestor of the seat of B. Gratz Brown, to come forward and be sworn in as a member of this House, was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Guitar :

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Boyd, Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Goode, Green, of L., Harding, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McAfee, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Monroe, Moseley, Murray, Parcells, Patrick, Reid, Ritchey, Shambagh, Smith, of S., Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of D., and Wyatt—47.

NOES—Messrs. Barrett, Bean, Blair, Bohannon, Brown, of J., Burnes, Clark, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Green, of Franklin, Guitar, Harrison, Hardeman, Howell, Hughes, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, Neill, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Williams, of H., Yeats and Mr. Speaker—48.

Absent—Messrs. Brown, of St. L., Darnes, Hickox, McMahan, Moore, Morgan, Mott and Smith, of P.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Excused from voting—Mr. McClain, of St. C.

On motion of Mr. Webb,
The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Hughes offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Accounts be, and they are hereby authorized to allow John A. Goodlett, his mileage and *per diem*, the same as if he had been a member of this House, from the commencement of the session up to, and including this day.

Mr. Shambaugh moved to lay the resolution on the table, which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Gilstrap:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Bogy, Botts, Boyd, Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Cravens, Darby, Dorris, Everett, Garth, Gilstrap, Goode, Green, of L., Harding, McAfee, McMurtry, Moseley, Murray, Neill, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Smith, of Sullivan, Webb and Whitaker—28.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Bohannon, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. Louis, Burnes, Chilton, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Dyer, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Field, Frost, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Hardeinan, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Hughes, Jeffries, Jennings, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, McSpadden, Moore, Monro, Morgan, Mott, Parcells, Patrick, Pratt, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, White, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—70.

Absent—Messrs. Crosswhite, Farrar, Hickox, Jones, McMahan, Medley, Smith, of P., and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Blakey, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Burnet, Doniphan, of Clay, Drake, Graves, Harris, Hardin, Isbell, Jackson, Kelly, McFarland, Minor, Morrow, Nevill and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard, Houghton, Mothersead and Powers.

The resolution was then adopted.

Propositions and motion being in order,

Bills of the following titles, were introduced and severally disposed of as follows;

By Mr. Moseley :

An act to authorize Pemiscot county to borrow money;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same :

An act amendatory of the act organizing the county of Pemiscot, approved February 19th, 1851;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Mott :

An act to incorporate the Dunklin and Pemiscot Plank Road Company;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Mott, Darnes and Moseley.

By the same :

An act to change the name of Mrs. Mary Hoyt;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Murray :

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to amend and reduce into one, the several acts incorporating the town of Louisiana, and to organize the same into a city, approved March 10th, 1849;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Murray, Fagg and Britton.

By the same :

A bill to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Louisiana and Middleton Plank or McAdamized Road Company;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Neill :

An act to amend an act to regulate fees;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By the same :

An act to authorize the county court of Lafayette county to convey certain lands;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Parcells :

An act to vacate alleys in the town of Kirkeville, Missouri :

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same :

An act for the sale of certain land in the county of Adair :

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Nevill :

An act amendatory of an act to establish a probate court in Daviess county, approved March 3d, 1851 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Patrick :

An act to incorporate the American Saving Institution ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Jones :

An act to pay road overseers in Laclede county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Reid :

A bill to establish a probate and common pleas court in Jackson county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same :

An act to incorporate the Jackson County Agricultural and Mechanical Association ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Patrick, on leave, called up Senate bill entitled,

An act to extend the time for the completion of the Central Plank Road in the county of St. Louis, and for other purposes.

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Fagg,

The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 24TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Bills of the following titles were introduced and severally disposed of as follows:

By Mr. Shambaugh :

An act to pay overseers of public roads in Gentry county :

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same :

An act to pay witnesses subpoenaed before grand juries ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Ritchey :

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to accept a grant of land made to the State of Missouri by the Congress of the United States, to aid in the construction of certain railroads in this State, and to apply a

portion thereof to the Pacific Railroad in this State, be amended so as to allow preëmptions to be transferred ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By the same :

An act to incorporate the Western Missouri Railroad Company ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, referred to the Committee on Corporations, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

By Mr. Roberts :

An act to view and mark out a State road through Mercer county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Roberts, Harding and Smith, of S.

By the same :

An act to incorporate the Weston Mutual Insurance Company ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Burnes, Doniphan, of P., and Dorriess.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate has passed a substitute entitled,

An act touching the indebtedness of Vernon county, for House bill entitled,

An act to legalize all conveyances and marriages in the late county of Vernon.

The Senate has reconsidered the vote passing Senate bills entitled,

An act confirming the organization of Dent county ;

An act for the relief of Frederick Miller and Thomas McCarthy.

The Senate has passed House bills entitled,

An act giving further time to the Collectors of the Revenue for returning the Delinquent Lists for 1854 ;

An act to reenact and amend an act entitled, "An act to establish probate courts in the counties of Greene, Polk, Barry, Newton and Cedar," approved February 11th, 1847.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed :

An act for the benefit of Green B. Wade, former Collector of Franklin county ;

An act to appropriate money ;

An act to change the name of the county seat of Putnam county from Harmony to Unionville ;

An act for the relief of Robert M. Craig, of Johnson county ;

An act concerning Sheriffs and Collectors ;

An act to amend an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Ste. Genevieve, Iron Mountain and Pilot Knob Plank Road Company," approved February 7th, 1851.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate :

An act for the relief of Lewis F. Lacy, late clerk of the county court of Saint Louis county ;

A bill to authorize Martha A. Ligon and Maria Ligon, by their trustee, Jabez Shetwell, to sell certain real estate;

A bill for the benefit of John Charles;

A bill to incorporate the Dime Saving's Institution of St. Charles;

A bill for the relief of Fielding S. Helm;

An act to incorporate the Jackson Seminary;

An act for the relief of the Pacific Railroad Company.

The President of the Senate has signed enrolled Senate bills entitled,

An act declaring James L. D. Blevins, of Cole county, capable of contracting;

An act amendatory of an act entitled, "An act donating swamp lands to the several counties in which they lie;"

An act to change the administration of the estate of Charles Younger, deceased;

A memorial to Congress asking a grant of land for school purposes in township sixty-seven.

By Mr. Rollins:

An act concerning the Columbia and Missouri River Plank Road Company;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same:

An act amendatory of an act entitled, "An act to authorize the formation of railroad associations, and to regulate the same, approved February 24th, 1853;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

By Mr. Shambaugh:

An act to reduce the rates of taxation;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Shelton:

An act to change the time of holding circuit courts in the county of Knox;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same:

An act to legalize the acts of H. H. Beach, executor of Hugh Henry, deceased, of Knox county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Smith, of B.:

An act to pay petit jurors in the county of Bollinger;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Smith, of St. L.:

An act to protect mechanics and others;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

By the same:

An act to extend the limits of the city of Saint Louis, and for other purposes.

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, referred to a select committee, consisting of the members from the county of St. Louis, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

By Mr. Smith, of S. :

An act to establish a State road from Milan, in Sullivan county, to Harmony, in Putnam county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same,

An act to suspend the distribution of the revenue school moneys ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Standiford,

An act to increase the pay of county court justices in Cass and Bates counties ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to report a general law.

By the same :

An act for a State road from Warrensburg to the Cave Spring, on the boundary line of Cass county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Todd :

An act in behalf of alien heirs and devisees ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same :

An act for the protection of manufacturers and bottlers of ale, soda, &c. ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Tucker :

An act to regulate the funds accruing from fines in the county of Dade ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same :

An act to vacate a State road in the county of Dade ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Turner :

An act to amend an act entitled, An act to regulate practice and proceedings in criminal cases, approved March 25th, 1845 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Wall :

An act to pay grand and petit jurors in Stoddard county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Shambaugh introduced concurrent resolution entitled,

Concurrent resolution relating to State School Superintendent ;

Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Smith, of B.,

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be required to furnish this House with the amount of the three per cent. road and canal fund, the 500,000 acre grant fund, and all school moneys which have been paid to the county of Scott.

Mr. Turner, on leave. presented the petition of Anderson McCampbell asking compensation for detention in the jail of Saint Louis county as a witness in the case of the State of Missouri against Edmund Lundy and Robert Harrison;

Which was, on his motion, referred to the Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Reid, one hundred and fifty copies of an act entitled, An act to incorporate the Weston Mutual Insurance Company, were ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Darby,

The House adjourned.

·EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Darnes,

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be instructed to hand over to the Committee on Revised and Unfinished Business, all bills left unfinished at the last session of the Legislature, and that the said committee be instructed to examine the said bills and distribute them out among the appropriate committees of the House.

Propositions and motions being in order,

Bills of the following titles were introduced and disposed of as follows:

By Mr. Wall:

An act to legalize the sale of swamp and overflowed lands in the counties of Stoddard, Mississippi, Scott, New Madrid, Pemiscot, Wayne, Cape Girardeau, Butler, Ripley and Dunklin;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time.

Mr. Mott offered the following amendment:

Mississippi county is hereby required to pay to Dunklin county the sum of four thousand dollars out of any moneys derived from the sale of her swamp lands.

Mr. McLane, of Cape G., offered the following amendment:

Provided, That any county which has received more than its proportional part of the fifty thousand dollars heretofore appropriated for the reclamation of the swamp and overflowed lands, shall pay to the counties which have not received their proportional part, so as to make each county equal.

On motion of Mr. Darnes,

The bill, together with the amendments, were referred to the committee on Swamp Lands.

By Mr. Webb,

An act to reenact an act entitled, An act to establish a Probate Court in the county of Pike, approved March 6th, 1849; which act applies to the county of Crawford;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same:

An act to legalize the acts of G. S. Ducworth, justice of the peace of Dent county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Whitaker:

An act for the relief of Peter McClain;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the committee on Claims.

By the same:

An act to change the names of Rocksean Popejoy and Nancy A. Popejoy, to that of Rocksean Wilson and Nancy A. Wilson;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. White:

An act in relation to county warrants in the county of Ripley;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same:

An act amendatory of an act entitled, An act for the election of county treasurers, approved February 24th, 1853;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Williams, of D.:

A petition for the relief of M. S. Greene, of Daviess county;

Which was referred to the committee on Claims.

By Mr. Williams, of D.:

An act to elect school commissioner, county treasurer and public administrator in Ray, Caldwell, Clinton and Daviess counties;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Williams, of D., Bohannon, Hughes and Houghton.

By Mr. Williams, of H.:

An act to authorize the several courts of this State to change the names of women;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same:

An act to repeal an act entitled, An act to amend an act entitled, An act concerning strays, approved March 3d, 1851; and an act amendatory thereto, approved February 22d, 1853;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when, Mr. Acock offered the following amendment:

Strike out the seventh section of an act entitled,

An act concerning strays, approved February 22nd, 1845;

And insert in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 7. The justices shall, within fifteen days after such appraisement, cause to be delivered to the clerk of the county court, a certified copy of the entries on their stray books and a like copy to the taker up, within the same time.

On motion of Mr. Bean,

The bill, together with the amendment, was referred to the Committee on Justices of the Peace.

By Mr. Wyatt:

An act authorizing Jesse R. Allen to erect a dam across Little Torkio river, and for other purposes;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended; read a second and third time and passed.

By the same:

An act for the relief of Samuel Walkup, of Atchison county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Yeats:

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to establish a Land Court, in St. Louis county, and for other purposes, approved February 23, 1853;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Yeats, on leave, called up Senate bill entitled,

A bill to incorporate Belcher's Sugar Refining Company;

Which was read a third time, when,

Mr. Gilstrap offered the following amendment by way of ryder, as an additional section:

"That each and every partner or stockholder shall be individually liable for all the debts and liabilities of this Corporation to any amount, not to exceed the *pro rata* proportion, which the stock of such partner or stockholder, along with the whole stock of the Corporation, shall bear to the whole amount of such debts and liabilities; the date of which computation shall be the commencement of the suit to recover any such debts or liabilities;

Which was read a first time, when,

On motion of Mr. Blair,

The ryder was laid upon the table by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Gilstrap:

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Bogy, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Buford, Chilton, Clark, Cunningham, Davis, Doniphan, of Platte, Dorris, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeinan, Hickox, Hughes, Jeffers, Jennings, Jones, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, Moore, Mott, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. Louis, Tucker, Turner, Wall, White, Williams, of H., Yeats and Mr. Speaker—62.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Donegan, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Gilstrap, Green, of L., Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Howell, King, McAfee, McClain, of St. C., McSpadden, Monro, Morgan, Murray, Ritchey, Smith, of Sullivan, Standiford, Webb, Whitaker and Wyatt—36.

Absent—Messrs. Ewing, Medley, Moseley, Neill, Parcells, Shambagh, Smith, of P., and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Blakey, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Burnet, Doniphan, of C., Drake, Graves, Harris, Hardin, Isbell, Jackson, Kelly, McFarland, Minor, Morrow and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard, Houghton, Mothersead and Powers.

The question then being on the passage of the bill, was passed by the following vote :

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Bogy, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Buford, Burnes, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hickox, Holmes, Hughes, Jeffress, Jennings, Layton, Lewis, of Clark, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McClain, of St. C., McLane, of Cape G., McCulloch, McMurtry, Medley, Moore, Mott, Neill, Patrick, Reid, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. Louis, Todd, Tricker, Turner, Wall, White, Williams, of H., Yeats and Mr. Speaker—68.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bohannon, Betts, Boyd, Brown, of N., Bullock, Chilton, Gravens, Darby, Dodson, Donelan, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Frost, Gilstrap, Green, of L., Heryford, Hall, Howell, Jones, King, McAfee, McFall, McSpadden, Monro, Morgan, Murray, Ritchey, Smith, of S., Standiford, Webb, Whitaker and Wyatt—35.

Absent—Messrs. Crosswhite, McMahan, Moseley, Parcells, Pratt, Shambaugh, Smith, of P., and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard, Houghton, Mothersead and Powers.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Secretary of State, in answer to a resolution of the House, requesting him to state the amount of the three *per cent.* road and canal fund, the 500,000 acre grant fund, and also school moneys which have been paid to the county of Scott, which was read.

Mr. Darnes, from the Committee on Unfinished Business, reported certain bills to the House, which were referred to their appropriate committees.

Mr. Bean, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles ;

An act to reenact and amend an act entitled, an act to establish probate courts in the counties of Greene, Polk, Barry, Newton and Cedar ;

An act giving further time to Collectors of the Revenue, for returning the delinquent lists for 1854.

On motion of Mr. Smith, of S.,

The House adjourned.

THURSDAY MORNING, JANUARY 25TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary:

Mr. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed:

An act to amend an act entitled, "An act incorporating the Mammoth Mining Company;"

An act to legalize the election of clerk in Putnam county;

An act to charter the New Madrid and West Prairie Road Company;

A bill to incorporate Weston Lodge No. 40, of the Independent Order of Good Templars;

An act for the benefit of David B. Brewen, late Collector of Madison county;

A bill to establish a State road in Clay and Clinton counties;

An act to establish a State road from Iowa Point, on the Missouri river, in Holt county, to Athens, in Gentry county;

An act to change part of a State road in Platte county;

Joint resolutions to provide for the revision of the Statutes of this State;

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate:

An act to authorize the county court of Laclede county to make an order authorizing the sale of certain lands.

An act to amend an act entitled, An act to incorporate the Mechanics' Saving Institution of St. Louis, approved Feb. 24th, 1853.

Mr. Donelan, on leave, called up Senate bill entitled,

An act for the relief of Allen Crook, late Sheriff of Andrew county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Propositions and motions being in order,

Bills of the following titles were introduced and severally disposed of as follows:

By Mr. Newland:

An act to authorize the county court of Ralls county to borrow money to pay the indebtedness incurred in building plank roads;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same:

An act to authorize county courts to alter or abolish State roads under certain circumstances;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Ry Mr. Garth:

An act to amend an act to authorize the sale of real estate;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same:

An act concerning roads in Randolph county ;
Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Garth, Dyer and Smith, of S.

By Mr. Ewing :

A bill to pay jurors in Cooper county ;
Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same :

A bill to pay School Commissioners in Cooper county ;
Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Blair :

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act respecting the Assessor of St. Louis county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to a committee consisting of the members from St. Louis county.

By the same :

A bill for the benefit of Elizabeth Thornton ;
Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Blakey :

An act to authorize the Sheriff of Benton county to perform certain duties ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Darnes :

An act to repeal an act entitled, an act for opening and repairing roads and highways in Andrew county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. King :

An act to repeal an act entitled, an act to authorize the county court of Madison county to use certain papers, approved Jan. 14th, 1845 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Mcnro :

An act to incorporate the Chillicothe, Trenton and Princeton Graded Road Company ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same :

An act to incorporate the Chillicothe, Springhill and Bethany Graded Road Company ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Monro, Nevill and Harding.

By Mr. Britton :

An act to amend an act entitled, An act to change a State road in the county of Lincoln, approved February 28th, 1851 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Sitton :

An act to authorize the administration of the estate of Thomas Maupin, deceased, in Gasconade county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same :

An act to perfect and preserve the records in the office of Secretary of State ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

By Mr. Hickox :

An act to authorize the Register of Lands to receive the delinquent list of lands of the late Collector of Moniteau county for the year 1853 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Graves :

An act for the relief of the heirs of Urban Billingsley ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same :

An act to amend an act entitled, An act to incorporate the city of Glasgow, approved February 27th, 1845 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Frost :

An act for the relief of Spencer Mitchell, late Sheriff of Texas county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Fagg :

An act to incorporate Spencersburg Division Sons of Temperance, No. 144, in the county of Pike ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By the same :

An act to give certain powers to the Louisiana and Frankford Plank Road Company, in the county of Pike ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Green, of F. :

An act specifying the duties of county surveyors ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Green, of F., Phillips and Jeffress.

By Mr. Howell :

An act in relation to grand and petit jurors in Oregon county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Frost, the vote on the passage of a bill entitled,

An act for the relief of Spencer Mitchell, late Sheriff of Texas county ;

Was reconsidered, and on his motion, was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Frost, White and Acock.

Mr. Blakey, on leave, from the select committee to whom was referred an act entitled,

A bill for the improvement of the navigation of the Osage river;

Reported the same back to the House and recommended its passage.

Mr. McSpadden, on leave, offered resolutions entitled,

Resolutions of instruction to the Committee on Education;

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Harrison, on leave, presented the petition of Thomas J. Lovell and others, praying for a repeal of the act creating the office of County School Commissioner;

Which was referred to the Committee on Education.

The second reading of bills then being in order:

Concurrent resolutions entitled,

Concurrent resolutions with reference to Kansas and Nebraska Territories, were taken up, read second a time, and

On motion of Mr. Fagg, referred to the Committee on Federal Relations. Resolution entitled,

A resolution to amend the Constitution, was taken up and read a second time.

The third reading of bills then being in order:

House bill entitled,

An act to authorize Isaac Grey to keep a ferry across the Des Moines river, at the town of Athens, in the county of Clark, Missouri;

Was taken up, read a third time and passed.

Mr. Breckinridge, on leave, called up Senate resolutions entitled,

Joint resolutions to provide for the revision of the Statutes of this State;

Which were read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when, Mr. Acock offered a substitute of the same title for said resolutions.

On motion of Mr. Field,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The petition presented by Mr. Whitaker, on ———— and which was not disposed of was, on his motion, taken up and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Whitaker, White and Frost.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Senate, accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate having taken the chair, announced that the object of the joint session was to elect a United States Senator, and that Messrs. Atchison, Benton and Doniphan were in nomination.

There being no other nominations, the joint session was about to proceed to the twenty-seventh ballot, when

Mr. Parcells offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That after this joint session have taken four more ballots

for United States Senator, and no election being made, they adjourn *sine die*.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution, it was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Blair :

AYES.....	43
NOES	100

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

AYES—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Botts, Fant, Farrar, Field, Green, of F., Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McAfee, McCulloch, McFall, Medley, Minor, Monroe, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Murray, Parcells, Pratt, Reid, Shambaugh, Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Whitaker, Williams of D., and Williams, of H.—35.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bogy, Bohannon, Boyd, Brady, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Buford, Burnet, Burnes, Chilton, Clark, Crosswhite, Cunningham, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of P., Dorrisa, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Feagan, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Hughes, Jackson, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McFarland, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of S., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, White, Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—77.

Absent—Messrs. Bullock, Cravens, Gilstrap, Moore, Sitton, Smith, of B, and Smith, of P.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bradford, Drake, Harris and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard, Houghton, Motherhead and Powers.

Excused from voting—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

The joint session then proceeded to the twenty-seventh ballot, which resulted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison.....	57
“ “ Benton.....	36
“ “ Doniphan.....	56
“ “ Hall.....	1
“ “ Wilson.....	1
“ “ Broadhead.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady,

Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Buford, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gi'strap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monro, Murray, Parcels, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White, and Williams, of Daviess—43.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fant, Feagan, Green, of F., Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—31.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McMurtry, McCarty, McMahan, Moore, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—44.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.—1.

For Mr. Broadhead—Mr. Fagg—1.

Absent—Mr. Smith, of P.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bradford, Drake, Harris and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard, Houghton, Mothersead and Powers

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses proceeded to the twenty-eighth ballot, which resulted as follows:

For Mr. Atchison.....	62
“ “ Benton	37
“ “ Doniphan	51
“ “ Wilson.....	1
“ “ Broadhead.....	1
“ “ Hall.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Buford, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Dorriass, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monro, Moseley, Murray, Parcels, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of Sullivan, Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—47.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green of L., Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—31.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Cunningham, Davis, Doniphan, of Platte, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—40.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.—1.

For Mr. Broadhead—Mr. Fagg—1.

Absent—Messrs. Powers and Smith, of P.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses proceeded to the twenty-ninth ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison...	62
“ “ Benton.....	87
“ “ Doniphan.....	51
“ “ Wilson.....	1
“ “ Broadhead.....	1
“ “ Hall.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Darnes, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Menro, Moseley, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—47.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—31.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Cunningham, Davis, Doniphan, of Platte, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman,

Hardin, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—40.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.—1.

For Mr. Broadhead—Mr. Fagg—1.

Absent—Mr. Smith, of P.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses proceeded to the thirtieth ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison.....	68
“ “ Benton.....	87
“ “ Doniphan.....	50
“ “ Wilson	1
“ “ Broadhead.....	1
“ “ Hall.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Buford, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Dorriess, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Gash, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McCarty, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monroe, Moseley, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—48.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape of G., McGlavin, of St. Clair, McCulloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—31.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Cunningham, Davis, Doniphan, of Platte, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McMurtry, McMahan, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—39.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.—1.

For Mr. Broadhead—Mr. Fagg—1.

Absent—Mr. Smith, of P.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the two Houses were about to proceed to the thirty-first ballot, when, Mr. Wilson, of the Senate, moved that the joint session take a recess until 2 o'clock, P. M., to-morrow.

Which was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Wall, the joint session took a recess until 10 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow.

The Senate then retired to their Chamber, and the Speaker resumed the chair.

On motion of Mr. Kelly,

The House adjourned.

FRIDAY MORNING, JANUARY 26, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed.

An act to incorporate the Point Pleasant and Dunklin County Road Company ;

An act to establish an election precinct in Platte county ;

A bill to establish a State road in Platte county ;

A bill to locate a State road in Clay and Platte counties ;

Bills of the following titles have been introduced by the Senate:

An act to incorporate the Great Western Fire and Marine Mutual Insurance Company, of St. Louis ;

An act to authorize county courts to invest township school funds ;

A bill for the benefit of the minor heirs of Henry C. Dunn, deceased ;

An act to incorporate a ferry, in Platte county ;

Joint resolutions on the subject of slavery.

On motion of Mr. Goode, resolutions entitled,

Joint resolutions to provide for the revision of the Statutes of this State ;

Also, the substitute offered by Mr. Acock, of the same title ;

Were taken up, made the special order of the day for Wednesday next,

and one hundred and fifty copies of the resolutions and substitute were ordered to be printed.

Mr. Davis, on leave, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred that part of the Governor's Message, relating to the consolidation of the Supreme Court at Jefferson City ;

Reported against the expediency of such consolidation.

Mr. Frost moved to disagree to the report; pending which,

The Senate, accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate took the Speaker's chair and announced that when the joint session took a recess on yesterday, there was pending the election of United States Senator, and that Messrs. Atchison, Benton and Doniphan were in nomination.

There being no other nominations, the joint session proceeded to the thirty-first ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison.....	62
“ “ Benton.....	37
“ “ Doniphan.....	51
“ “ Wilson.....	1
“ “ Hall.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Browne, of N., Bullock, Buford, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McCarty, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monro, Moseley, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams of D.—47.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fant, Fagg, Farrar, Green, of F., Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. Louis, and Stanford—31.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Cunningham, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McMahan, McMurtry, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—40.

For Mr. Hall—Mr. Mott—1.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.—1.

Absent—Mr. Smith, of P.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bradford, Drake, Harris and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard, Houghton, Mothersead and Powers.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the joint session proceeded to the thirty-second ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison.....	62
“ “ Benton.....	37
“ “ Doniphan.....	51
“ “ Wilson.....	1
“ “ Hall.....	2

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Dorriass, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McCarty, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monroe, Moore, Moseley, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—47.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fant, Fagg, Farrar, Green, of F., Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. Louis, and Standiford—31.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Cunningham, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McMahan, McMurtry, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—40.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.—1.

For Mr. Hall—Mr. Mott—1.

Absent—Same as before.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the joint session proceeded to the thirty-third ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison.....	62
“ “ Benton.....	37
“ “ Doniphan.....	51
“ “ Wilson.....	1
“ “ Willard P. Hall.....	2

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Dorriess, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McCarty, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monroe, Moseley, Murray, Parcels, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—47.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Donelan, Fant, Fagg, Farrar, Green, of L., Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McCulloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. Louis, and Standiford—31.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Cunningham, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McMahan, McMurtry, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Todd, Tacker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—40.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.—1.

For Mr. Hall—Mr. Mott—1.

Absent—Same as before.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the joint session proceeded to the thirty-fourth ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison.....	61
“ “ Benton.....	37
“ “ Doniphan.....	52
“ “ Wilson.....	1
“ “ Hall.....	2

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Buford, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Dorriess, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monroe, Moseley, Murray, Parcels, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—46.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fant, Fagg, Farrar, Green, of F., Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—31.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Cunningham, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—41.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.—1.

For Mr. Hall—Mr. Mott—1.

Absent—Same as before.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the joint session proceeded to the thirty-fifth ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison.....	59
For Mr. Benton	37
For Mr. Doniphan.....	58
For Mr. Wilson.....	1
For Mr. Hall....	2

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnet, Buford, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monroe, Moseley, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of Daviess—44.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fant, Fagg, Farrar, Green, of F., Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of Bollinger, Smith, of St. Louis, and Standiford—31.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd,

Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Cunningham, Davis, Doniphan, of Platte, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Rollins, Roberts, Shelton, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—42.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.—1.

For Mr. Hall—Mr. Mott—1.

Absent—Messrs. Darnes and Smith, of P.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the joint session was about to proceed to the thirtieth ballot, when,

Mr. McCarty, of the House, moved that the joint session take a recess until 2 o'clock, P. M. ;

Which was decided in the negative.

The joint session then proceeded to the thirty-sixth ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison.....	59
For Mr. Benton.....	37
For Mr. Doniphan.....	53
For Mr. Wilson.....	1
For Mr. Hall.....	2

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Buford, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorriss, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monroe, Moseley, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams of D.—44.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fant, Fagg, Farrar, Green, of F., Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffers, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McClain, of St. C., McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—31.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Cunningham, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McCarty,

McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—42.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.—1.

For Mr. Hall—Mr. Mott—1.

Absent—Same as before.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the joint session was about to proceed to the thirty-seventh ballot, when,

On motion of Mr. Goode, of the House,

The joint session took a recess until 10 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow.

The Senate then retired to their Chamber, and the Speaker resumed the chair.

On motion of Mr. Sitton,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The question being on the rejection of the report of the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred so much of the message of the Governor, as relates to the consolidation of the Supreme Court, and which was pending at the time of the arrival of the Senate this morning, was taken up, when,

Mr. Frost withdrew his motion to reject.

The question then being to agree to the report of the Committee, Was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Davis, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the memorial of the New York Law Institute ;

Reported by bill entitled,

An act for granting to the New York Law Institute the Statutes and Public Acts of this State ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Davis, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred,

An act entitled, an act amendatory of an act concerning guardians, curators and minors, approved March 3rd, 1845 ;

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

Mr. Davis, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred, An act for the benefit of the heirs of Clinton Young ;

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

Mr. Davis, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred,

An act giving county courts concurrent jurisdiction with the circuit courts, in partition of real estate ;

Reported the same back and recommended its rejection.

Mr. Davis, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred,

An act to amend an act to regulate fees ;

Reported the same back with amendments, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Davis, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred,

An act for the benefit of C. Freeman ;

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

Mr. Davis, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the petition of Benjamin Anderson to be relieved of certain disabilities imposed on him ;

Reported the same back, and recommended that said petition be not granted.

Mr. Davis, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred,

An act to authorize the county court of Lafayette county to convey certain lands ;

Reported the same back and recommended its rejection, when,

On motion of Mr. Field,

The report, together with the bill, were recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Davis, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred,

An act to increase the pay of county court judges in Cass and Bates counties ;

Reported by substitute of the same title, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Davis, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the petition of James M. Goodson and James Trotter ;

Reported the same back, and recommended that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

Mr. Davis, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred a resolution relating to the acknowledgment of conveyances ;

Reported the same back and recommended its rejection.

Bills and other business from the Senate, being in order.

Bills of the following titles were taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed :

An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Mammoth Mining Company ;

A bill for the relief of Mary Gay Gentry, of Platte county;

An act to incorporate the Fredericktown and Pilot Knob Gravel Road Company.

Mr. Todd asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Clark.

Mr. Frost asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Webb.

On motion of Mr. Kelly,

The House adjourned.

SATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 27TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Bills and other business from the Senate being in order.

Bills of the following titles were severally taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed:

An act to repeal an act entitled, an act to provide for the election of road overseers in the county of Shelby;

An act to incorporate Palmyra Female Seminary;

An act to establish a State road from Iowa Point, on the Missouri river, in Holt county, to Athens, in Gentry county;

An act to establish an election precinct in Platte county;

An act concerning the records of the office of the Recorder of the county of St. Louis;

An act to abolish Jones' addition to the town of Memphis;

An act relating to the resurvey of the town of Shelbyville, the county seat of Shelby county;

An act to change a portion of a State road leading from Memphis, in the direction of Keosauqua;

An act for the benefit of Green B. Wade, former collector of Franklin county.

Senate bills of the following titles were taken up and read a first time:

An act to adopt William Mathew Tuggle, a lawful heir of James H. Tuggle;

An act for the relief of certain purchasers of school lands.

Senate bills of the following titles were taken up and severally disposed of as follows:

An act to locate a State road in Clay and Platte counties;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Dorris, Doniphan, of P., and Burnes.

An act authorizing the erection of weighing scales on the Gravois road, in the county of St. Louis;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee, consisting of the members from the county of St. Louis.

An act to incorporate Springfield Female College;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

An act to incorporate the America Insurance Company;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

An act granting further time for the completion of the St. Charles Western Plank Road;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

A bill for enabling the Trustees of the American Express Company to sue;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

An act to procure a portrait of General George Washington;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Blair, Rollins and Jeffress.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Senate, accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate took the chair, and announced that when the joint session took a recess on yesterday, there was pending the election of United States Senator, and that Messrs. Atchison, Benton and Doniphan were in nomination.

There being no other nominations, the joint session proceeded to the thirty-seventh ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison	59
“ “ Benton.....	87
“ “ Doniphan	52
“ “ Wilson.....	1
“ “ Hall.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monroe, Moseley, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—45.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Donelan, Fant, Fagg, Farrar, Green, of F., Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffers, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McCulloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—31.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Cunningham, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McMahan, McCarty, McMurtry, Moore, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—42.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C—1.

Absent—Messrs. Hughes, Mott and Smith, of P.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bradford, Harris and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Clippard, Houghton, Motherhead, and Powers.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the joint session was about to proceed to the thirty-eighth ballot, when,

On motion of Mr. Webb, of the House,

The joint session took a recess until 2 o'clock, P. M., to-morrow.

The Senate then retired to their Chamber, and the Speaker resumed the chair, when,
 On motion of Mr. McAfee,
 The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Bills and other business from the Senate being in order:

Bills of the following titles were severally taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed:

An act to change the name of the county seat of Putnam county from Harmony to Unionville;

An act concerning the records of the circuit court of Butler county.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Senate, accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate took the Speaker's chair:

Mr. Zeigler, of the Senate, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the joint session will now take a recess, to meet again for the election of a United States Senator on such day and hour, as shall be hereafter designated by a concurrent resolution of the two Houses; Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Bogy, of the House,

The joint session took a recess until 10 o'clock, A. M., Monday.

The Senate having retired to their Chamber, and the Speaker resumed the chair.

On motion of Mr. Rollins,

Mr. Blair was added to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Doniphan, of C., asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Smith, of P.

Mr. Blakey asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Turner.

On motion of Mr. Mott,

Messrs. Holmes, White and Jones were added to the Committee on Swamp Lands.

On motion of Mr. Parcells,

The House adjourned.

MONDAY MORNING, JANUARY 29TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House, that the President of the Senate has signed enrolled bills of the following titles :

An act for giving further time to the Collectors of the Revenue for returning the Delinquent Lists for 1854 ;

An act to reenact and amend an act entitled, an act to establish probate courts in the counties of Greene, Polk, Barry, Newton and Cedar, approved February 11th, A. D., 1847 ;

Also, Senate bills entitled,

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Mammoth Mining Company,

An act to extend the time for the completion of the Central Plank Road, in St. Louis county, and for other purposes.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate :

An act for furnishing to certain offices the public Statutes and reports of the Supreme Court, and for other purposes ;

An act for the benefit of the heirs of Thomas J. Walker, deceased ;

Proposed constitutional amendments in relation to the election of State officers, and granting corporate privileges ;

A bill of the following title has been introduced into the Senate and passed :

An act to authorize the Register of Lands to issue patents to certain persons in Livingston county ;

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the grand jury of St. Louis county, which was,

On motion of Mr. Bogy, referred to the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

Mr. Heryford, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to fix the time of holding courts in the Eleventh Judicial Circuit ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. McMurry, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act reviving an act incorporating the town of Carrollton, in Carroll county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Hughes, on leave, presented the petition of John Steel and others, praying for the relief of the widow of Joseph W. Kirpatrick, deceased ;

Which was read and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Hughes, Williams, of H., and Field.

Mr. Todd, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the St. Louis German Ladies' Benevolent Society ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Mr. Todd, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the industrial school and temporary house for destitute children ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Bills and other business from the Senate being in order, bills of the

following titles were severally taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed :

An act for the relief of Robert M. Craig, of Johnson county;

An act touching the indebtedness of Vernon county.

Bills of the following titles were taken up and severally disposed of as follows :

An act to appropriate money ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Claims.

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Ste. Genevieve, Iron Mountain and Pilot Knob Plank Road Company, approved February 7th, 1851 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Boggy, Alexander and Brady.

An act to legalize the election of clerks in Putnam county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

An act for the benefit of David B. Brewen, late Collector of Madison county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

An act to authorize the Register of Lands to issue certain patents to persons in Livingston county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

A bill to establish a State road in Clay and Clinton counties ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Hughes, Doniphan, of C., and Dorris.

An act to change part of a State road, in Platte county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

An act concerning Sheriffs and Collectors ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Holmes, Darnes and Frost.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Senate, accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate took the chair and announced that the resolution offered by Mr. Zeigler, of the Senate, on Saturday, and which was pending when the joint session took a recess, was in order, pending which,

On motion of Mr. McFarland, of the House,

The joint session took a recess until 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate having retired to their Chamber, the Speaker resumed the chair, when,

On motion of Mr. Kelly,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Bills and other business from the Senate being still in order, Senate bill entitled,

An act to charter the New Madrid and West Prairie Road Company ;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

Mr. Mott offered the following amendment :

Amend by inserting after Samuel W. Allen, "Alexander Blanton and Given Owens, of Dunklin county ;"

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, the rule requiring the yeas and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

The Senate, accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate took the chair, and announced the object of the joint session to be, the election of United States Senator, and that Messrs Atchison, Benton and Doniphan were in nomination.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution offered by Mr. Zeigler, on Saturday last.

On motion of Mr. Gilstrap, of the House,

The joint session took a recess until 10 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow.

The Senate having retired to their Chamber, the Speaker resumed the chair.

On motion of Mr. Isbell,

The House adjourned.

TUESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 30TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER : I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that a bill of the following title has been introduced into the Senate and passed :

An act to incorporate the St. Louis Gymnastic Society.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced in the Senate :

An act concerning Insurance Companies incorporated in this State ;

Proposed amendments to the Constitution in relation to Banks.

Bills and other business from the Senate being in order :

Bills of the following titles were taken up and severally disposed of as follows :

A bill to incorporate Weston Lodge No. 40, Independent Order of Good Templars;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

A bill to establish a State road in Platte county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Dorris, Doniphan, of P., and Burnes.

An act to incorporate the point Pleasant and Dunklin County Road Company ;

Which was read a first time.

An act to adopt Wm. Mathew Tuggle a lawful heir of James H. Tuggle;

Which was read a second and third time and passed.

An act for the relief of certain purchasers of school lands ;

Which was read a second and third time and passed.

Other business of the House being in order :

Senate substitute for House bill entitled,

A bill in relation to the apportionment of State School moneys;

Was taken up, when,

Mr. Frost asked leave to offer an amendment, pending which,

The Senate, accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate took the chair, and announced that when the joint session took a recess on yesterday, there was pending the election of United States Senator, and that Messrs. Atchison, Benton and Doniphan were in nomination, and that the resolution offered by Mr. Zeigler, of the Senate, was before the joint session.

Mr. Brown, of St. L., of the House, offered the following as a substitute for Mr. Zeigler's resolution :

Resolved, That the joint session for an election of United States Senator do now adjourn *sine die*.

On motion of Mr. Webb, of the House,

The joint session took a recess until 2 o'clock P. M.

The Senate having retired to their Chamber, the Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Brown, of St. L., presented the petition of citizens of St. Louis, in relation to Carondelet and the St. Louis Commons ;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of the members from St. Louis county.

On motion of Mr. Burnes,

The House then adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the State Mutual Fire and Marine Insurance Company, which was,

On motion of Mr. Blair, laid on the table, and two hundred copies ordered to be printed.

The Senate, with their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President took the chair and announced the object of the meeting of the joint session to be the election of a United States Senator, and that Messrs. Atchison, Benton and Doniphan were in nomination.

The question being on the adoption of the substitute offered by Mr. Brown, of St. Louis, of the House, to the resolution of Mr. Zeigler.

Pending the question,

Mr. Darnes, of the House, moved that the joint session take a recess until 10 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow;

Which was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Green, of L., of the House,

The joint session took a recess until 10 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow.

The Senate having retired to their Chamber, the Speaker resumed the chair.

On motion of Mr. Ritchey,

Mr. Bullock was added to the Committee on Corporations.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Governor :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
City of Jefferson, Mo., January, 1855. }

To the Honorable the House of Representatives :

GENTLEMEN : I have this day approved and signed bills of the following titles :

An act for giving further time to the Collectors of the Revenue for returning the Delinquent Lists for 1854;

An act to reenact and amend an act entitled, an act to establish pre-bate courts in the counties of Greene, Polk, Barry, Newton and Cedar, approved February 11th, 1847.

Very respectfully,
STERLING PRICE.

On motion of Mr. Frost,
The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 31st, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER : I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of

Representatives, that bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate:

An act to establish a Sinking Fund;

An act amending and reducing into one, the several acts granting lands to, and expediting the construction of the Pacific, the South-West Branch, the Hannibal and St. Joseph, the North Missouri, and the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroads, and for other purposes.

A bill of the following title has been introduced into the Senate and passed:

An act to declare certain minors of age.

Mr Frost offered the following amendment to bill entitled,

An act in relation to the apportionment of State School Money;

Amend by adding the following section:

§ — The Superintendent of Common Schools shall, before making his apportionment of school money set apart from the revenue in the year 1855, set apart and apportion to the organized school townships now organized, which have not received any apportionment in the year 1853, and who have not proper reports now made, so as to entitle them to apportionment out of the revenue set apart in the year 1854, and also such school township as shall become organized in the year 1855, as shall make the apportionment to the children in all of said organized school townships, equal to those children in the organized school townships which received said apportionment in the years 1853 and 1854, any other law to the contrary notwithstanding;

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Bean moved to lay the amendment on the table;

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Frost:

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Boyd, Brady, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of N., Crosswhite, Cunningham, Donelan Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardin, Hickox, Hughes, Jeffers, Jennings, Kelly, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFarland, McMurtry, Minor, Morrow, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Roberts, Shelton, Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Tucker, Williams, of H., Yeats and Mr. Speaker—52.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Blakey, Bohannon, Botts, Buford, Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Clark, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Dorriess, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Hardeman, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jones, King, McCary, McCarty, McClain, of St. C., McFall, McMahan, McSpadden, Monroe, Mott, Nevill, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Sitton, Smith, of B., Todd, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White and Wyatt—54.

Absent—Messrs. Blair, Bogy, Brown, of St. Louis, Farrar, Field, McAfee, Medley, Moore, Morgan, Moseley, Parcells, Rollins, Standiford and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bradford, Harris, Phillips, Smith, of P., and Turner.

Sick—Messrs. Brown, of J., Houghton, Mothersead and Powers.

Mr. Frost moved to suspend the rules to permit the amendment to be read a second time ;

Which was decided in the negative.

Mr. McAfee moved to refer the bill to a select committee, which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Gilstrap :

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Blakey, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Brady, Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Dorris, Field, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of F., Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, McAfee, McCary, McClain, of St. Clair, McFall, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Moore, Monro, Moseley, Mott, Nevill, Parcells, Ritchey, Smith, of B., Standiford, Wall, Webb, Whitaker and White—55.

NOES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Boyd, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Burnet, Clark, Cunningham, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Gentry, Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harde-
man, Hardin, Hickox, Hughes, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of Clark, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFarland, McMurtry, Minor, Morgan, Morrow, Murray, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of St. Louis, Smith, of Sullivan, Todd, Tucker, Williams, of Henry, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—61.

Absent—Messrs. Neill, Rollins and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate, accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate took the chair, and announced that when the joint session took a recess on yesterday, there was pending the election of United States Senator, and that Messrs. Atchison, Benton and Doniphan, were in nomination.

When the joint session took a recess on yesterday, there was pending the substitute offered by Mr. Brown, of St. Louis, of the House, to the resolution offered by Mr. Zeigler, of the Senate, when,

On motion of Mr. Shambaugh, of the House,

The joint session took a recess until 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate retired to their Chamber, and the Speaker resumed the chair.

On motion of Mr. Mott,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Britton, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act for the benefit of the executors of the last will of John A. Woolfolk, deceased;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Darnes, on leave, from the Committee to whom was referred a bill entitled, an act exempting the homestead from execution and sale;

Reported a substitute to said bill of the same title and recommended its passage.

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, made the special order for Friday next, and two hundred copies ordered to be printed.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Senate, accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate took the chair, and announced the object of the joint session to be the election of United States Senator, and that Messrs. Atchison, Benton and Doniphan, were in nomination.

The question pending when the joint session took a recess this morning, being the substitute offered by Mr. Brown, of St. L., of the House, to the resolution of Mr. Zeigler, of the Senate.

Mr. Zeigler, of the Senate, withdrew his resolution.

The joint session then proceeded to the thirty-eighth ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison.....	59
For Mr. Benton.....	37
For Mr. Doniphan.....	56
For Mr. Wilson.....	1
For Mr. Hall.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dorris, Dyer, Dodson, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monro, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—45.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McCulloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—30.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Foyd,

Breckinridge, Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Fagg, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Wall, Williams, of Henry., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—45.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.—1.

For Mr. Hall—Mr. Mott—1.

Absent—Mr. Turner.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bradford, Harris and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Brown, of J., Houghton and Powers.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the joint session proceeded to the thirty-ninth ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison.....	59
For Mr. Benton.....	37
For Mr. Doniphan.....	56
For Mr. Wilson.....	1
For Mr. Hall.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dorris, Dodson, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monroe, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—45.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Pratt, Sitten, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—30.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Breckinridge, Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Fagg, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of Pettis, Todd, Tucker, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—45.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.—1.

For Mr. Hall—Mr. Mott—1.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bradford, Harris and Phillips.

Sick—Same as before.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the joint session proceeded to the fortieth ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Atchison.....	59
For Mr. Benton.....	37
For Mr. Doniphan.....	57
For Mr. Wilson.....	1

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorriess, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monro, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—45.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. Louis, and Standiford—30.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Brckinridge, Burnet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Fagg, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Mott, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—46.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Donipahn, of C.—1.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the joint session were about to proceed to the forty-first ballot, when,

On motion of Mr. Smith, of S., of the House,

The joint session took a recess until 10 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow.

The Senate retired to their chamber, and the Speaker resumed the chair.

On motion of Mr. Hardeman,

Mr. Garth was added to the Committee on Agriculture.

On motion of Mr. Gilstrap,

The House adjourned.

THURSDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 1ST, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed :

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to establish a Court of Common Pleas in the city of Hannibal, approved March 27th, 1845, and to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the city of Hannibal, approved Feb. 21st, 1845 ;

An act to change a portion of a State road leading from Springfield to Forsyth.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate :

An act to establish a Probate Court in the county of Scott ;

An act for the purpose of accepting a donation made by Isaac Drake McDowell for the benefit of the medical department of the State University ;

An act to furnish books to Wayne county, and to perfect the record in said county ;

An act for the relief of John M. Wimer, late Sheriff of St. Louis County ;

An act to provide for the institution and support of a State University. House bill of the following title has passed the Senate :

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to fix the time of holding courts in the Eleventh Judicial Circuit.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed :

An act to vacate certain streets in the town of New Franklin, in Howard county ;

An act to change a portion of State road in Green county ;

An act to provide for pay of petit jurors in Lawrence county ;

An act to change a part of a State road leading from Moore's Ferry to Brunswick, in Chariton county ;

An act to establish and define the boundaries of Wright and Greene counties.

Mr. Minor, on leave, from the committee to whom was referred the resolution in relation to the proposed Constitutional amendment for the county of Schuyler, reported the amendment proposed by the last General Assembly, together with the certificates of the Secretary of State in relation to its publication.

The amendment was then read a first time.

Mr. Frost moved that the amendment offered by him on yesterday to the bill entitled, A bill in relation to the apportionment of State school money, be read a third time ;

Which motion the Speaker decided to be out of order, from which decision Mr. Frost appealed to the House.

The question then being, shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House, pending which,

The Senate, accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate took the chair, and announced that when the joint session took a recess on yesterday, there was pending the election of United States Senator, and that Messrs. Atchison, Benton and Doniphan, were in nomination.

The joint session then proceeded to the forty-first ballot, when there appeared,

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The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

For Mr. Atchison—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dorriss, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monro, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—45.

For Mr. Benton—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., and Standiford—31.

For Mr. Doniphan—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Breckinridge, Burdet, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Ewing, Fagg, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Neill, Nevill, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Wall, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—45.

For Mr. Wilson—Mr. Doniphan, of C.—1.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bradford, Harris, Phillips and Turner.

Sick—Messrs. Brown, of J., Houghton, and Powers.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the joint session was about to proceed to the forty-second ballot, when,

Mr. Rannels, of the Senate, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the joint session now take a recess until called together by a concurrent resolution of the two Houses.

Mr. Moore, of the House, offered the following as a substitute:

Resolved, That the joint session take a recess until the 26th instant, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

On motion of Mr. Doniphan, of C., of the House,

The joint session took a recess until 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate retired to their Chamber, and the Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Bean, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, a bill of the following title :

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to fix the time of holding courts in the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, approved March 8th, 1849.

On motion of Mr. Frost,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Doniphan, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly engrossed, bills of the following titles :

An act to authorize Isaac Grey to keep a ferry across the Des Moines river, at the town of Athens, in the county of Clark, Missouri ;

An act to authorize the several county courts in this State to sell the swamp and overflowed lands ;

A bill for the improvement of the navigation of the Osage river.

Mr. Ritchey, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act for the relief of M. F. Crouch, late collector of Newton county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Isbell, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act providing for the sale of the real estate of John Davis, deceased, late of Osage county ;

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Holmes offered the following resolution, which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed :

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, That the Secretary of State be directed to furnish to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Wayne county, a complete set of the Territorial Laws of Missouri, and of all the Statutes and Session and Pamphlet Acts, passed and in force, since the organization of the State government, and also a set of the Reports of the Supreme Court of Missouri, to be placed by said Clerk in his office for the use of the Circuit and County Courts of said county of Wayne, and also one hundred copies of the school law for the use of the people of said county.

The Senate, accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate took the chair, and announced that when the joint session took a recess this morning, there was pending the substitute of Mr. Moore, of the House, to the resolution of Mr. Kannels, of the Senate.

Mr. Kitchen, of the Senate, moved that the joint session take a recess until 10 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow :

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Jeffress, of the House:

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The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Jackson, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monroe, Mothersead, Murray, Nevill, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams of D., and Yates—55.

NOES—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Breckinridge, Burnet, Clippard, Clark, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Howell, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McColloch, McFall, McMahan, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Neill, Parcells, Patrick, Pratt, Roberts, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Williams, of H., Wyatt, and Mr. Speaker—62.

Absent—Messrs. Brown, of St. L., Donelan, Goode, McMurtry, Morgan and Rollins.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

The Senate retired to their Chamber, and the Speaker resumed the chair.

On motion of Mr. Burnes,
The House adjourned.

FRIDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 2d, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.
Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary.

Mr. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate :

An act to amend an act entitled, an act providing for the education of the blind, approved February 27th, 1851;

An act to establish a ferry across the Mississippi river at a point in Marion county, opposite the city of Quincy, Illinois;

Proposed amendment to the 8th section of the third article of the Constitution.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed :

A bill to change the name of Emily F. Kelly ;

An act for the relief of Owen Rawlins and Allen Hamer ;

An act to incorporate the Institution of Civil Engineers, at St. Louis ;

An regulating the time of holding circuit court in Greene county ;

A bill to authorize and require the construction of fire-cisterns in the city of St. Louis ;

An act to incorporate the Natural Bridge Cemetery of St. Louis ;

The President of the Senate has signed enrolled House bill of the following title :

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to fix the time of holding courts in the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, approved March 8th, 1849.

The Speaker laid before the House, a statement of the condition of the Marine Insurance Company of St. Louis ;

Which was laid on the table, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Whitaker, on leave, presented the petition of Asa Eliot, senior, and others ;

Which was, on his motion, referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Whitaker, Webb and Frost.

On motion of Mr. Minor, constitutional amendment entitled,

Constitutional amendment in relation to Schuyler county ;

Was taken up and read a second time.

Mr. Lewis, of C., on leave, presented the petition of William Glasscock and others ;

Which was, on his motion, referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Mr. Green, of L., on leave, presented the petition of J. A. Richardson and others ;

Which was, on his motion, referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Mr. Isbell, on leave, called up House bill entitled,

An act providing for the sale of the real estate of John Davis, deceased, late of Osage county ;

Which was read a second time, rule suspended, read a third time and passed.

Mr. Breckinridge, on leave, called up Senate bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the Natural Bridge Cemetery of St. Louis ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Mr. Webb, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Steelville Academy;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation being dispensed with.

Mr. Brown, of N., on leave, presented the petition of William C. Smith and others;

Which was, on his motion, referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Hardin, on leave, presented the petitions of Callaway county;

Which was, on his motion, referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. Dyer, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to amend an act entitled, an act regulating marriages, approved February 20th, 1845;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and one hundred fifty copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Dorris, on leave, presented the petition of C. P. Armstrong, and which was, on his motion, referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Dorris, Burnes and Doniphan, of P.

Mr. Dorris, on leave, introduced a bill, entitled,

An act for the benefit of W. H. Spratt, Collector of Platte county, Missouri;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Mott, from the select committee to whom was referred a bill entitled, an act to incorporate the Dunklin and Pemiscot Plank Road Company, on leave, reported the same back to the House with an amendment.

The amendment was then read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was then read a third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Mr. Field, on leave, presented the petition of John P. Bowman and others;

Which was, on his motion, referred to the Committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. Field,

Resolved, That the Committee on Elections be, and are hereby instructed to report a bill regulating the mode and manner of a member of the General Assembly contesting the right of any member to a seat therein, and with all the details, in their judgment, requisite for certainty, economy and despatch.

Mr. Frost, from the select committee to whom was referred a bill entitled, an act for the relief of Spencer Mitchell, late Sheriff of Texas county;

On leave, reported by substitute entitled,

An act for the relief of the several Collectors of the Revenue.

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Wall, on leave, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein, That the two Houses meet in joint session on Monday next, at

the hour of ten o'clock; A. M., for the purpose of electing a Public Printer;

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Wall moved to suspend the rules to permit the resolution to be read a second time;

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Darnes:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Barrett, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Lewis, of St. L., McAfee, McCarty, McFarland, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Monro, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Nevill, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of Sullivan, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of D., Wyatt and Yeats—65.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Boyd, Breckinridge, Burnet, Clark, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hughes, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffres, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Rolins, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Williams, of H., and Mr. Speaker—56.

Absent—Messrs. Brown, of St. Louis, Minor and Moore.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bradford, Harris and Phillips.

Sick—Messrs. Brown, of J., and Houghton.

The Senate accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate took the chair, and announced the object of the joint session to be the election of United States Senator, and that Messrs. Atchison, Benton and Doniphan were in nomination.

The question being on the adoption of the substitute offered by Mr. Moore, of the House, to the resolution of Mr. Rannels, of the Senate,

On motion of Mr. Reid, of the House,

The joint session took a recess until 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate retired to their chamber, and the Speaker resumed the chair.

On motion of Mr. Reid,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The question before the House being, "Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House?"

The ayes and noes on said question were demanded by Mr. Frost.

Pending the call of the roll of the House,

The Senate, accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate took the chair, and announced that when the joint session took a recess this morning, there was pending the question on the adoption of the substitute of Mr. Moore, of the House, to the resolution of Mr. Rannels, of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Guitar, of the House,

The joint session took a recess until 10 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow.

The Senate retired to their chamber, and the Speaker resumed the chair.

On motion of Mr. Harding,

The House adjourned.

SATURDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 3D, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Mr. Lightner asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Farrar.

The question pending on yesterday on the arrival of the Senate, being the appeal of Mr. Frost from the decision of the Chair,

The question then being, "Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House?"

It was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes having been demanded by Mr. Frost:

AYES—Messrs. Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Buford, Burnet, Burnes, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Field, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Kelly, Lewis, of Clark, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McCulloch, McFarland, McMurtry, Moore, Monro, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Mothersead, Neill, Nevill, Parcells, Patrick, Powers, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Todd, Tucker, Turner, White, Williams, of Daviess, Williams, of H., Wyatt and Yeats—78.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Chilton, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Frost, Heryford, Holmes, Howell, Jackson, King, McFall, McSpadden, Reid, Ritchey, Smith, of B., and Whitaker—19.

Absent—Messrs. Baker, Brady, Bradford, Bullock, Clippard, Cunningham, Doniphan, of C., Drake, Dorris, Gilstrap, Graves, Hill, Jones, Layton, McMahan, Medley, Minor, Moseley, Murray, Pratt, Shambaugh, Smith, of P., Standiford, Wall and Webb.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Farrar, Harris and Phillips.

Excused from voting—Mr. McAfee.

Sick—Messrs. Brown, of J., and Houghton.

The question then being on the passage of the bill entitled,

A bill in relation to the apportionment of State school moneys;

Was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. —:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of N., Buford, Burnes, Clark, Crosswhite, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Field, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Kelly, Layton, Lewis, of Clark, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McAfee, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, McFarland, McMahan, McMurtry, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monro, Morrow, Mothersead, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Roberts, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. Louis, Smith, of S., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—93.

NOES—Messrs. Bullock, Chilton, Cravens, Dods n, Frost, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Jackson, Jones, King, McSpadden, Morgan, Moseley, Mott, Parcells, Phillips, Ritchey, Standiford, Wall. Webb, Whitaker and White—24.

Absent — Messrs. Baker, Brady, Brown, of St. L., Burnett, Clippard, Cunningham, Gilstrap and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Farrar and Harris.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Lightner, on leave, called up Senate bill entitled,

A bill to authorize and require the construction of fire-cisterns in the city of St. Louis;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that a bill of the following title has been introduced into the Senate and passed :

An act amendatory of an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the city of Lagrange."

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate :

An act to authorize Benjamin Potter and John Potter, administrators of the estate of Thomas Potter, deceased, to collect certain taxes due in Greene county ;

An act to expedite the construction of the Cairo and Fulton Railroad Company ;

An act to confirm the incorporation of the Cairo and Fulton Railroad Company, of Missouri, and to apply to the construction of the same the grant of land made to the State of Missouri by the Congress of the United States, and to accept said grant of land.

On motion of Mr. Britton, the regular order of business was passed over.

Mr. Boyd called up Senate bill entitled,

An act regulating the time of holding circuit courts in Greene county ;
Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,
Mr. Boyd offered the following amendment to the last section :

Provided, also, that all sales of real estate advertised to be made at said adjourned February term of said court, shall stand adjourned by means of this act, until said March term, in the same manner as other business, and to be made on the respective days of said March term, as now declared in the several notices thereof ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Moseley, from the select committee, to whom was referred the memorial of the citizens of New Madrid county, for the establishment of a ferry at Point Pleasant ;

Reported by bill entitled,

An act to establish a ferry at Point Pleasant, Missouri ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Hickox presented two petitions of citizens of Moniteau county, praying the passage of a prohibitory liquor law ;

Which was, on his motion, referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Hickox, Doniphan, of P., and Blakey.

Mr. Burnes presented a petition from citizens of Platte county ;

Which was, on his motion, referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Burnes, Doniphan, of P., and Hickox.

Mr. Bean presented a petition from citizens of Lawrence county ;

Which was, on his motion, referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Hickox, Doniphan, of P., and Blakey.

Mr. Field presented a petition from citizens of Lafayette county, praying a change in a State road ;

Which was, on his motion, referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Neill presented a remonstrance from citizens of Lafayette county;

Which was, on his motion, referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Mothersead presented a petition from citizens of Gentry county;

Which was, on his motion, referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Mothersead, Smith, of P., Williams, of H., and Dorriss.

Mr. Dyer presented a petition from citizens of Warren county;

Accompanied by a bill entitled,

An act abolishing the office of school commissioner in Warren county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and, together with the petition, referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Heryford called up Senate bill entitled,

An act to change a part of a State road leading from Moore's Ferry, to Brunswick, in Chariton county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Field presented a petition from citizens of Lafayette county;

Which was, on his motion, referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Hickox, Doniphan, of P., and Blakey.

Mr. Isbell, presented the petition of citizens of Osage county;

Which was, on his motion, referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. McClain, of St. C., introduced a bill entitled,

An act to entitle McDonald county to a Representative;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time, when,

Mr. Holmes moved to amend by way of rider, at the end of the last section, as follows:

Provided, the county court of said county shall, in the year 1856, before the first day of April, cause the census to be taken in said county at the expense of the State, and the said county then having the ratio or three-fourths of ratio of representation, shall be entitled to a Representative;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was then passed by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Frost:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Burnet, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Dorriss, Dyer, Everett, Fant, Field, Garth, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harding, Harde-
man, Hardin, Heryford, Holmes, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jen-
nings, Jones, Kelly, King, Lewis of St. L., Lightner, McAfee, McCary,
McCarty, McCulloch, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McFall,
McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monro, Mor-
gan, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Murray, Nevill, Parcels,
Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Sham-
baugh, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Standiford,

Todd, Turner, Whitaker, White, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., Wyatt and Yeats—94.

NOES—Messrs. Barrett, Bean, Britton, Brown, of J., Cunningham, Davis, Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Ewing, Fagg, Feagan, Frost, Gentry, Guitar, Harrison, Hill, Hughes, Layton, Lewis, of Clark, Neill, Shelton, Tucker, Webb and Mr. Speaker—24.

Absent—Messrs. Baker, Brady, Brown, of St. Louis, Clippard, Clark, Hickox, McFarland and Wall.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Farrar and Harris.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Darnes, from the Committee on Revised and Unfinished Business, reported a bill entitled,

An act to amend an act entitled, an act for the relief of Henry Coffee's heirs ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

The Senate, accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate took the chair, and announced that when the joint session took a recess on yesterday, there was pending the substitute of Mr. Moore, of the House, to the resolution of Mr. Rannels, of the Senate.

Mr. Green, of F., of the House, offered the following amendment :

Resolved, That the joint session do now take a recess until the first Monday in November, at 2 o'clock, P. M., of that day.

Mr. Hardeman, of the House, offered the following amendment :

Amend the substitute so as to make it read "until 10 o'clock, A. M., on the second Monday in November next."

Mr. Hardin, of the House, offered the following as a substitute :

Resolved, That this joint session take a recess until 2 o'clock, P. M., of the one hundredth day of this session of the General Assembly.

Mr. Moseley, of the House, moved to lay the resolution, together with the amendments, on the table.

Mr. Sims, of the Senate, moved a division of the question.

The question then being on laying the amendment to the resolution of Mr. Rannels, of the Senate, on the table, was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Sims, of the Senate :

AYES	121
NOES	29

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Cross-

white, Cravens, Cunningham, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Harrison, Harding, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Hughes, Isbell, Jackson, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McClain, of St. C., McFarland, McMahan, McMurry, McSpadden, Medley, Monroe, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Murray, Nevill, Parcels, Patrick, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of S., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams of D., Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—98.

NOES—Messrs. Blair, Brown, of St. L., Fant, Green, of F., Guitar, Hardeman, Hardin, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, McAfee, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, Minor, Moore, Neill, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Sitton and Turner—22.

Absent—Messrs. Baker, Boyd, Clark, Hickox and Smith, of St. Louis.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Farrar and Harris.

Sick—Mr. Houghton.

Excused From voting—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

The question then being on laying the resolution of Mr. Rannels, of the Senate, on the table, it was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Sims :

AYES	63
NOES	87

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Goode, Graves, Green, of Lewis, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Lewis, of St. L., McAfee, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monroe, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Nevill, Parcels, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Tucker, Wall, Webb, White and Williams, of Daviess—50.

NOES—Messrs. Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Burnet, Cunningham, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Gilstrap, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Howell, Hughes, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurry, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P.,

Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, Turner, Whitaker, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—72.

Absent—Messrs. Baker and Hickox.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Clark, Farrar and Harris.

Sick—Same as before.

Excused from voting—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

Mr. Murray, of the House, moved that the joint session take a recess until 2 o'clock, P. M., which was decided in the negative.

Mr. Zeigler, of the Senate, moved to amend the resolution of Mr. Rannels, of the Senate, by inserting in lieu of the words "such time as shall be designated by concurrent resolution of the two Houses," the words "until the 26th day of the present month, at 2 o'clock, P. M., of that day."

Mr. Medley, of the House, moved to lay the amendment on the table, and called for the ayes and noes.

On motion of Mr. Murray, of the House,

The joint session took a recess until 2 o'clock, P. M.,

The Senate retired to their Chamber, and the Speaker resumed the chair.

On motion of Mr. Smith, of S.,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Senate, accompanied by their officers, arrived in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate took the chair, and announced that when the joint session took a recess this morning, there was pending the motion of Mr. Medley, to lay the amendment of Mr. Zeigler, of the Senate, to the resolution of Mr. Rannels, of the Senate, on the table.

Mr. Medley, of the House, withdrew the motion to lay on the table.

Mr. Zeigler, of the Senate, withdrew his amendment to the resolution of Mr. Rannels, of the Senate.

The question then being on the adoption of the resolution of Mr. Rannels, of the Senate, it was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Morrow, of the House:

AYES.....	88
NOES	63

The members of the House of Representatives voted as follows :

AYES—Messrs. Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. Louis, Burnet, Cunning-

ham, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harde-
man, Hardin, Howell, Hughes, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones,
Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary,
McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall,
McMahan, McMurtry, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Patrick, Phillips,
Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of
P., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Williams, of H.,
Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—72.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton,
Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite,
Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Dorriess, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth,
Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hill, Holmes, McAfee,
McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monro, Moseley, Moth-
erseed, Murray, Nevill, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of
S., Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—59.

Absent—Messrs. Baker and Hickox.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Mr. Houghton.

Excused from voting—Mr. Doniphan, of C.

The Senate retired to their chamber, and the Speaker resumed the
chair.

Mr. Neill asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Baker.

On motion of Mr. Isbell,

The House adjourned.

MONDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 5TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Boyle.

The Speaker laid before the House, the following communication from
the Governor :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
City of Jefferson, Mo., February 3rd, 1855. }

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives :

GENTLEMEN : I have this day approved and signed a bill of the follow-
ing title :

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to fix the time of holding courts in the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, aproved March 8th, 1849.

Very respectfully,
STERLING PRICE.

Mr. Nevill aksked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Williams, of Daviess.

Mr. Neill asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Field.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that the President of the Senate has signed enrolled Senate bills of the following titles :

An act for the relief of certain purchasers of school lands ;

An act to adopt William Mathew Tuggle, a lawful heir of James H. Tuggle ;

An act to repeal an act entitled, an act to provide for the election of road overseers in the county of Shelby ;

An act for the benefit of Green B. Wade, former Collector of Franklin county ;

An act relating to the resurvey of the town of Shelbyville, the county seat of Shelby county ;

An act for the benefit of David B. Brewen, late Collector of Madison county ;

An act for the relief of Mary Gay Gentry ;

An act touching the indebtedness of Vernon county ;

An act to incorporate the Fredericktown and Pilot Knob Gravel Road Company ;

An act for the relief of Allen Crook, late Sheriff of Andrew county ;

An act to authorize the Register of Lands to issue certain patents to persons in Livingston county ;

An act to legalize the acts of Alfred H. Weatherford, as clerk of the county and circuit courts within and for the county of Putnam ;

An act for the relief of Robert M. Craig, of Johnson county ;

An act to change part of a State road, in Platte county ;

An act granting further time for the completion of the St. Charles Western Plank Road ;

An act to abolish Jones' addition to the town of Memphis ;

An act to incorporate Springfield Female College ;

An act concerning the records of the office of the Recorder of the county of St. Louis ;

An act to establish an election precinct in Platte county ;

An act to incorporate the Weston Lodge, No. 40, of the Independent Order of Good Templars ;

An act enabling the American Express Company to bring actions and suits at law, in this State, in the name of the Trustees of said Company ;

An act to change the name of the county seat of Putnam county from Harmony to Unionville ;

An act concerning the records of the circuit court of Butler county ;

An act to chage a portion of a State road leading from Memphis, in the direction of Keosauqua ;

An act to establish a State road from Iowa Point, on the Missouri river, in Holt county, to Athens, in Gentry county ;

An act to incorporate Palmyra Female Seminary.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed :

A bill to incorporate the City University, of St. Louis ;

An act for the relief of James McCullough, former collector of Jefferson county ;

An act to declare James M. Nelson of age.

House bills of the following titles have passed the Senate :

An act to amend an act to authorize the sale of real estate ;

An act for the benefit of executors of the last will of John A. Woolfolk, deceased ;

An act to amend an act entitled, "An act to change a State road in the county of Lincoln," approved February 28th, 1851.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate :

An act concerning guardians, curators and minors ;

An act to remit forfeiture and authorize a trustee to settle up the affairs of the Farmers' and Mechanics' Insurance Company, of St. Louis ;

An act to authorize the minor children of Thomas Walker, of Grundy county, to execute a quit claim deed for their interest in a tract of land in said county, to John B. McDonald ;

An act to amend the charter of the Globe Mutual Insurance Company, of the city of St. Louis ;

Concurrent resolution in relation to the election of United States Senator, has been introduced into the Senate.

The orders of the day being in order,

House bill entitled, a bill for the improvement of the navigation of the Osage river, was taken up.

Mr. Breckinridge offered the following amendment :

Amend by adding section eleven, *Provided*, that not more than \$15,000 of the money appropriated by this act shall be withdrawn from the State treasury before the first day of January, A. D., 1856, and no portion of the money herein appropriated shall be withdrawn from the State treasury before the first day of November A. D., 1855 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Bean offered the following amendment as an additional section :

That the sum of twenty thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in treasury, and not otherwise appropriated, for clearing out the obstructions to navigation in Salt river up to the town of Florida, in Munroe county ;

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. McClain, of St. C., was laid on the table.

Mr. Gilstrap offered the following amendment as an additional section :

That the sum of ten thousand dollars are hereby appropriated out of any money in the State treasury, to clear out the "Rock Heap" in the Chariton river, to be applied under the direction and control of the Macon County Court ;

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Acock, was laid upon the table.

Mr. Fagg offered the following amendment:

Amend first section by striking out the words 'The sum of fifty thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the State treasury,' and insert in lieu thereof, 'The Governor of this State is hereby authorized and required to issue the bonds of the State to the amount of fifty thousand dollars;'

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. McClain, of St. C., was laid on the table.

The bill, as amended, was then read a third time and passed by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Smith, of S.:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnet, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Everett, Fagg, Feagan, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McAfee, McCary, McCarty, McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Moore, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Murray, Neill, Parcells, Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Reid, Ritchey, Roilins, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—84.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Bean, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Brown, of J., Buford, Burnes, Clippard, Cravens, Darby, Drake, Dyer, Fant, Graves, Harding, Jackson, Layton, McFall, Minor, Monroe, Nevill, Pratt, Roberts, Shelton, Smith, of B., and Smith, of S.—27.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Donelan, Dorris, Hickox, Hughes, Lewis, of St. L., McLane, of Cape G., McFarland, Shambaugh and Sitton.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Clark, Ewing, Farrar, Field, Harris and Williams, of D.

Sick—Mr. Houghton.

Senate resolutions entitled,

Joint resolutions to provide for the revision of the Statutes of the State;

Was taken up, together with the substitute offered by Mr. Acock, of the same title.

Mr. Davis moved to reject the substitute of Mr. Acock, pending the question,

On motion of Mr. Goode,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The question being on the rejection of the substitute of Mr. Acock to Senate resolutions on the subject of revision, on the table,

It was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Acock :

AYES—Messrs. Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of St. L., Buford, Bullock, Burnet, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Garth, Gentry, Gilstrap, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Kelly, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McAfee, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McCulloch, McFall, McSpadden, Moore, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Neill, Nevill, Parcells, Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Roberts, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, Turner, White and Williams, of H.—73.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Brady, Brown, of J., Brown, of Nodaway, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Graves, Green, of L., Harding, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Jackson, Jones, King, Lewis, of St. L., McFarland, Medley, Minor, Munro, Mothersead, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Tucker, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—39.

Absent—Messrs. Frost, Goode, Hughes, McMahan, McMurtry, Murray, Rollins, Sitton and Smith, of P.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Clark, Ewing, Farrar, Field, Harris and Williams, of D.

Sick—Mr. Houghton.

Mr. Davis offered the following amendment :

Strike out resolution first, and insert in lieu thereof as follows :

§ 1. That William Scott, Abiel Leonard, and John F. Ryland, are hereby appointed a Committee on Revision.

Mr. Darnes offered the following amendment to the amendment :

Provided, that the said Judges, nor no member thereof, shall receive compensation for any time not actually spent at said revision ;

Which was read a first time and rejected.

Mr. Britton offered the following amendment to the amendment :

Strike out 'William Scott, Abiel Leonard and John F. Ryland,' and insert 'James O. Broadhead, William B. Napton and Charles D. Drake,' in lieu thereof ;

Which was read a first time and rejected.

Mr. Minor offered the following amendment to the amendment :

Amend the amendment by adding to the end of first resolution,

And provided, that said revisors shall not receive more than five dollars per day for each day necessarily spent in said revision ;

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. Frost moved to lay the amendment and the amendment to the amendment on the table.

Mr. Bogy called for a division of the question.

The question then being on laying the amendment to the amendment on the table,

It was decided in the affirmative.

The question then being on laying the amendment on the table ;

It was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Guitar offered the following amendment :

Strike out all after the word " Representatives," in the last line, and add thereto the following: "to act in conjunction with the Judges of the Supreme Court, to be styled the Committee on Revision;"

Which was read a first time, and rejected.

Mr. Acock offered the following amendment to the resolutions :

Amend as follows, to come in as an additional resolution :

Resolution 8. Said committee shall have no power to change the meaning of any law or laws, required to be digested by them ;

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Blair,

Laid on the table by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Acock :

AYES—Messrs. Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Eradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Burnet, Cunningham, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of Clay, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Fagg, Fant, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Holmes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McMahan, McMurtry, Medley, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Roberts, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. Louis, Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, White, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—68.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hill, Howell, Jackson, Lewis, of St. L., McAfee, McCary, McFall, McFarland, McSpadden, Minor, Moseley, Mothersead, Parcells, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of Sullivan, Webb and Whitaker—43.

Absent—Messrs. Brown of St. Louis, Hickox, Hughes, Jones, Moore, Monro, Phillips, Rollins and Sitton.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Clark, Ewing, Farrar, Field, Harris and Williams, of D.

Sick—Messrs. Houghton and Murray.

Mr. Acock offered the following amendment :

Add at the end of the last section :

Provided, that no member of the Legislature, who may be appointed on said Committee, shall be allowed a greater *per diem* than is allowed other members of the present General Assembly, by virtue of the Constitution;

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. Jeffress moved to lay the amendment on the table, which was

decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Darby :

AYES—Messrs. Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Burnet, Cunningham, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Gentry, Goode, Green, of Franklin, Guitar, Harrison, Hardeman, Hardin, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Kelly, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McAfee, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. Louis, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, White, Williams, of H., Wyatt and Mr. Speaker—66.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Harding, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Jackson, Jones, King, McClain, of St. C., McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monro, Mothersead, Parcels, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Standiford, Webb and Whitaker—48.

Absent—Messrs. Brown, of St. L., Hickox, Hughes, Rollins Sifton and Yates.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Frost offered the following amendment to the resolutions :

Amend by striking out "November" where it occurs, and insert "July" in lieu thereof;

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. Blair moved the previous question, which was decided in the affirmative.

The amendment of Mr. Frost was then rejected.

The resolutions were then read a third time and passed by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Frost :

AYES—Messrs. Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. Louis, Bullock, Burnet, Cunningham, Dorris, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Garth, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Hardeman, Hardin, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Kelly, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McAfee, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Moore, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Neill, Nevill, Parcels, Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Roberts, Shelton, Smith, of Bollinger, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, White, Williams, of H., Wyatt and Mr. Speaker—80.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Buford, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Frost, Graves, Green, of L., Harding, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Jackson, Jones, King, McFarland, Minor, Monro, Mothersead, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Wall, Webb and Whitaker—35.

Absent—Messrs. Hickox, Hughes, Rollins and Sitton.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Doniphan, of C., asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hughes.

Mr. Jeffress asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Sitton.

Mr. Kelly asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Brown, of St. Louis.

Mr. Kelly asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Jeffress.

Mr. Bogy, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act for the relief of William C. Varner, late Sheriff of Ste. Genevieve county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same:

An act for the relief of the securities of Francis J. Moreau, late Sheriff of Ste. Genevieve county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same:

An act for the relief of J. N. Littlejohn;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Jeffress:

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to provide for levying, assessing and collecting the revenue, approved March 27th, 1845;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

The orders of the day being in order:

House bill entitled,

An act exempting the homestead from execution and sale;

Was taken up, when,

Mr. Blair offered the following amendment:

Amend by inserting in the fourth line, after the word "dollars," the following: "The whole value of the land and improvements not to exceed one thousand dollars;"

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Holmes offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Amend the amendment: strike out one thousand dollars, and insert five hundred dollars;

Which was read a first time and rejected.

The amendment offered by Mr. Blair, was then read a second time and rejected.

Mr. McClain, of St. C., offered the following amendment:

Add as an additional section: That nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to effect any existing contract at the passage of this bill; Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and rejected.

Mr. Brady offered the following amendment:

Amend by adding the following section:

§ 1. That the homestead shall not be exempt from execution and sale for any debt contracted before the selection of said homestead;

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. Todd moved its rejection;

Which was decided in the negative.

The amendment was then read a second time and rejected.

Mr. Gilstrap offered the following amendment:

Amend the fourth section, fourth line, printed bill, as follows:

After the word "not," strike out the words "enjoy the benefit," and insert, "be subject to the provisions;"

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Minor offered the following amendment:

Amend by striking out the fourth section of the bill;

Which were read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

On motion of Mr. Brown, of St. Louis, the amendment was laid on the table.

Mr. Boyd offered the following amendment:

Amend by adding an additional section, as follows:

That every head of a family, being a free white person, not possessing the above amount of property, it shall be made up to him or her, as the case may be, out of any money not otherwise appropriated;

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Darnes, rejected.

Mr. Hardin offered the following amendment:

Amend the fifth section, by striking out the word "and" first following the word "act," in the first line, and by striking out the word "and," first succeeding the word "husband," in the third line and inserting the word "or," and striking out the word "and," first succeeding the word "exemption," in the fourth line, and inserting the word "or;"

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Hardin also offered the following amendment:

Amend section seven, by adding thereto, these words:

"And every word in this act, importing the masculine gender, shall extend, and be applied to females as well as males;"

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to be engrossed for a third reading on to-morrow.

Mr. Blair, on leave, offered the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, By the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, that the Attorney General of the State, is hereby instructed to institute

suit against the securities of Peter G. Glover, deceased, late Treasurer of the State, to recover from them the amount of money for which *said* Glover, as Treasurer as aforesaid, is in default to the State;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Smith, of S.,
The House adjourned.

TUESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 6TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate has agreed to the House amendment to Senate bill entitled,

An act regulating the time of holding courts in Greene county.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed:

An act to district the county of Marion for the election of county judges;

An act for the relief of the heirs of William Cawlfied, deceased;

A bill for the benefit of Rosetta Emaline Grammar;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the city of Weston;

An act to regulate and pay grand and petit jurors in Franklin county;

An act to incorporate the town of Frémont, in Cedar county.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate:

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Platte County Railroad Company, and to expedite the construction of said Railroad, approved February 24th, 1853;

An act to ordain and establish a county court district;

An act supplementary and amendatory of an act entitled, an act to establish the St. Louis Land Court, and for other purposes.

Mr. Doniphan, of P., from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly engrossed, a bill of the following title:

An act exempting the homestead from execution and sale.

On motion of Mr. Minor,

Proposed constitutional amendment relative to Schuyler county, was taken up, read a third time and passed by the following vote:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown,

of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnet, Barnes, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Crews, Cunningham, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitay, Harrison, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McAfee, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McColloch, McFall, McFarland, McMahon, McMurtry, McSpaddon, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monroe, Morgan, Morrow, Mosley, Mott, Mothersead, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. Louis, Smith, of S., Standiford, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Whitaker, White, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—108.

NOES—Messrs. Donelan, Jeffers, Kelly, Smith, of Bollinger, and Todd—5.

Absent—Messrs. Doniphan, of P., Hering, Parcells and Webb.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Ewing, Farrer, Field, Harris, Hughes, Simon and Williams, of D.

Sied—Messrs. Houghton and Moray.

The order of the day being in order:

House bill entitled, an act exempting the homestead from execution and sale,

Was taken up, when,

Mr. Hardeman offered the following amendment:

§ 8. No property shall be exempt from sale by the provisions of this act, until the owner thereof shall cause a tin placard to be posted conspicuously on the premises; and if there be a dwelling house thereon, then said placard shall be placed above the front door or main entrance thereof, which placard shall be kept continually in place, and shall afford protection only for the time in which it is so posted, and shall have the word 'Homestead,' thereon in large letters;

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. Darnes moved the rejection of the amendment, and called for the ayes and noes on the motion; pending the call of the roll,

On motion of Mr. Botts,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Bean, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles:

An act for the benefit of the executors of the last will of John A. Woolfolk, deceased;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to change a State road in the county of Lincoln, approved February 28th, 1851;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to authorize the sale of real estate.

The question being the rejection of the amendment offered by Mr. Hardeman to bill entitled,

An act exempting the homestead from execution and sale;

Mr. Todd offered the following amendment:

After the word 'inhabitant,' in line six of section one of printed bill, insert, 'or head of a family,' and after the word 'manner,' in the last line of said section, insert 'or by such head of a family;' and strike out the word 'or,' in lines two and four of section four of the engrossed bill, and in lieu thereof insert the word 'and;'

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Gilstrap offered a substitute of the same title;

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Darnes moved to recommit the bill with the amendments, to the committee.

Mr. Britton moved to lay the bill with the amendments on the table;

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Darnes:

AYES—Messrs. Alexander, Barlow, Dean, Dehannan, Bolts, Boyd, Bradford, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Bellock, Burnett, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cunningham, Darby, Donelan, Drake, Dyer, Fagg, Feagan, Garth, Gentry, Graves, Green, of Franklin, Guitar, Harrison, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffers, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McCulloch, McFall, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Morrow, Neill, Nevill, Parcells, Phillips, Powers, Rollins, Smith, of B., Standiford, Turner, Wall, Whitaker, Williams, of H., Wyatt and Yeats—60.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Blakey, Blaw, Bogy, Brady, Breckinridge, Brown, of St. L., Burnes, Chilton, Cravens, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Dorris, Everett, Fant, Frost, Gilstrap, Goode, Green, of L., Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Howell, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McClain, of St. C., McMurry, Minor, Moore, Monro, Morgan, Moseley, Moit, Mothersead, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Todd, White and Mr. Speaker—52.

Absent—Messrs. Doniphan, of P., McAfee, McFarland, Tucker and Webb.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Clark, Ewing, Farrar, Field, Harris, Hughes, Sitton and Williams, of D.

Sick—Messrs. Houghton and Murray.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that a bill of the following title has been introduced into the Senate and passed:

An act for the benefit of the Pacific and other railroad companies.

Mr. Rollins, on leave, called up Senate bill entitled,

An act for the benefit of the Pacific and other railroad companies ;

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Britton moved to suspend the rules to permit the bill to be read a second time ;

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Acock :

AYES—Messrs. Barrett, Bean, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Burnet, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dyer, Everett, Fant, Fagg, Feagan, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardin, Hickox, Holmes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, White, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—76.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Botts, Brady, Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dorris, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Heryford, Hill, Howell, Jackson, Jones, McCary, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monro, Parcels, Phillips, Powers, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., and Whitaker—36.

Absent—Messrs. Blakey, Donelan, Hardeman, McAfee, Mothersead and Smith, of P.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

The bill was then read a second time, referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements, and two hundred copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Parcels asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. McAfee.

On motion of Mr. Blair,

The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 7TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holiday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER : I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that the President of the Senate has signed enrolled Senate bills entitled,

An act to incorporate the Natural Bridge Cemetery, of St. Louis ;

An act in relation to the apportionment of State school moneys ;

An act to authorize and require the construction of fire-cisterns in the city of St. Louis ;

Joint resolutions to provide for the revision of the Statute Laws of this State ;

An act regulating the time of holding the circuit courts of Greene county ;

An act to change part of a State road leading from Moore's ferry to Brunswick, in Chariton county.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed :

An act for the relief of the heirs of Daniel Davis, late of St. Louis county ;

An act concerning the Natural Bridge Plank Road Company ;

An act concerning the county court of Washington county ;

An act concerning State roads in the county of Washington ;

An act concerning the treasurer and public administrator of Washington county ;

An act to incorporate the Marine Railway and Dock Company ;

An act to declare Wesley Massey of age ;

An act increasing the fees of justices of the county court of Jefferson county ;

An act regulating the times of holding certain courts in the county of St. Louis, and for other purposes.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate :

An act to incorporate the Missouri Wine Company ;

Concurrent resolution fixing the time for a temporary adjournment of the Legislature ;

An act to incorporate the Laclede Insurance Company ;

An act for the relief of Edward Ferguson, of St. Louis county ;

An act amendatory of the act to incorporate the Merchants' Mutual Insurance Company, approved February 24th, 1851 ;

An act for the relief of Wm. E. Riley ;

An act for the relief of John B. Camden ;

An act for the relief of Frederick Bolte ;

An act to reduce the compensation of the Collector of the Revenue, of St. Louis county.

Bills of the following titles have passed the Senate :

A bill regulating interest on money ;

A bill for the relief of Fielding S. Helm ;

An act for the relief of Frederick Miller and Thomas McCarthy.

Mr. Jones, on leave, called up proposed constitutional amendment entitled,

Resolution to amend the tenth section of the third article of the Constitution ;

Which was read a third time, when,

Mr. Hardin called for the previous question.

The question then being : shall the main question now be put ? which was decided in the affirmative.

The question then being on the passage of the resolution, was decided in the negative by the following vote :

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Blakey, Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clippard, Crosswhite, Darby, Donelan, Fant, Frost, Green, of F., Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, Minor, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Parcels, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Smith, of St. Louis, and Tucker—38.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Barrett, Bean, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Chilton, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dyer, Dorris, Everett, Fagg, Feagan, Garth, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McFarland, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Monroe, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Reid, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Todd, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—73.

Absent—Messrs. Bogy, Cunningham, Darnes, Moore, Ritchey, Standiford and White.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Clark, Ewing, Farrar, Field, Harris, Hughes, McAfee, Sitton and Williams, of D.

Sick—Mr. Houghton.

Mr. Acock, on leave, presented the report of Thomas J. Bishop, Commissioner of Common Schools of Dade county, to the State School Superintendent ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petitions, memorials and remonstrances being in order :

Mr. Alexander presented the petition of J. B. Clardy and others ;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Alexander, Bogy and King.

By the same :

The petition of citizens of St. François and other counties ;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Alexander, King and Chilton.

By the same :

The petition of the inhabitants of Township No. 35, North, Range No. 7, East ;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Alexander, Bogy and Britton.

By the same :

The petition of Charles B. Cunningham ;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Alexander, Reid and Bogy.

By Mr. Barrett :

The memorial of the Board of Managers of the Missonri State Colonization Society ,

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Barrett, Doniphan, of C., and Bogy.

By the same :

Presented the petition of John How, Mayor of St. Louis ;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of the members from the county of St. Louis.

Mr. Bohannon :

Presented petitions from citizens of Ray county ;

Which were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Boyd :

The petition of citizens of Greene county ,

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Boyd, Morrow and Jones.

By Mr. Brady :

The petition of citizens of Washington county ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Elections.

By the same :

The petition of citizens of Washington county ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By the same :

The petition of John Highly, of Washington county ;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Brady, Harding and Todd.

By Mr. Bradford :

Memorials from citizens of Morgan county ;

Which were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Brown, of J. :

The petition of citizens of St. Louis county ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Brown, of N. :

Memorial to Congress for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad from the town of Savannah, to the Iowa State line ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and adopted.

By Mr. Brown, St. L. :

The petition of citizens of St. Louis county ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By the same :

The petition of E. C. McCarty ;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Brown, of St. L., Burnes and McCarty.

By the same :

The petition of citizens of Marion county ;

Which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By the Same :

The memorial of citizens of Missouri :

Which was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Burnet:

The memorial of citizens of Andrew county;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means,

By Mr. Burnes:

The petition of citizens of Platte county;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Burnes, Doniphan, of Platte, Dorris and Burnet.

By the same:

The memorial of citizens of Platte county;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Burnes, Dorris and Doniphan, of P.

By the same:

The petition of citizens of Platte county;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Burnes, Dorris and Doniphan, of P.

By the same:

The petition of citizens of Platte county;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Burnes, Dorris and Doniphan, of P.

By Mr. Cunningham:

The petition of citizens of Buchanan county;

Which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By the same:

The petition of citizens of Buchanan county;

Which was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

By Mr. Davis:

The petition of citizens of Howard county;

Which was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By the same:

The petition of Martha J. Shirley and others, of Howard county;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Davis, Todd and Hardin.

By Mr. Doniphan, of C.:

The petition of citizens of Clay county for State road, and remonstrance thereto:

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Doniphan, of C., Hughes and Dorris.

By the same:

Petitions from citizens of Clay county;

Which were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Doniphan, of P.:

The petition of P. T. Abernethy and others, in relation to the preservation of slave property;

Which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By the same:

The memorial of H. Miles Moore and others;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Doniphan, of P., Burnes and Dorris.

By Mr. Dorris:

The petition of citizens of Platte county;

Which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By the same:

The petition of citizens of Platte county;
Which was referred to the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Everett:

The petition of Michael Cunningham and others;
Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs.
Everett, Dorriess, Hughes, Doniphan, of C., and Cunningham.

By Mr. Fagg:

The petition of citizens of Pike county;
Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By the same:

The petition of citizens of Pike county;
Which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Fant:

The petition of Otto Schwarz;
Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Fant,
Pratt and Blair.

By Mr. Feagan:

The petition of citizens of Marion county;
Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By the same:

The petition of citizens of Marion county;
Which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Garth:

The petition of citizens of Randolph county;
Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Garth,
Graves and Heryford.

By Mr. Goode:

The petition of Merchants and Steamboat owners of the city of St.
Louis;

Which was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Graves:

The petition of citizens of Howard county;
Which was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

By Mr. Blair:

Memorials of citizens of the First, Second and Third Wards of the
city of St. Louis, on the subject of city extension;

Which were referred to a select committee, consisting of the members
from the county of St. Louis.

By Mr. Green, of L.:

The petition of citizens of Lewis and Knox counties, praying for a
State road, and remonstrance thereto;

Which was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

By Mr. Guitar:

The petition of citizens of Boone county, for a State road and a
remonstrance thereto;

Which was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

By the same:

The petition of citizens of Boone county respecting schools;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs.
Guitar, Rollins and Jeffress.

By Mr. Harrison:

The petition of citizens of Cooper county;

Which was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

By Mr. Harding:

The petition of citizens of Grundy county to allow Simpson Burgess to peddle without license;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Hardeman:

The memorial of the Missouri State Agricultural Society:

Which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

By Mr. Heryford:

The petition of citizens of Chariton county, asking the sale of certain real estate;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Heryford, Gilstrap and Garth.

By Mr. Hickox:

The petition of citizens of Moniteau county:

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Hickox, Harrison and Williams, of H.

Mr. Hardin, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to establish a State road from Fulton to Portland, in Callaway county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Webb,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Petitions, memorials and remonstrances being still in order,

Mr. Holmes presented the petition of citizens of Wayne and Butler counties, praying for a State road;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Holmes, Wall and White.

By Mr. Jeffress:

A petition from citizens of Franklin county, praying for a prohibitory liquor law;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By the same:

A petition from citizens of Franklin county, praying that railroad companies be made liable for slaves that may escape on them;

Which was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Jennings, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to authorize the County Court of Taney county to borrow money;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Jones:

The petition of James Brice praying to be attached to Laclede county;

Also, a remonstrance from citizens of Dallas county;

Which were referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Jones, Boyd and Phillips.

Mr. Layton, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the Blazean High School;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

By Mr. Lewis, of C.:

A petition from citizens of Clark county;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Lewis, of C., Hardin and Gentry.

By the same:

A petition from citizens of Clark county, praying the charter for a ferry to Isaac R. Campbell be revived;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Lewis, of C., Green, of L., and Darby.

By the same:

A petition from citizens of Clark county, praying that a charter to keep a ferry be granted to Nathanael D. Prouty;

Which was referred to the same committee.

By Mr. McCarty:

A petition from citizens of Barry county, praying a repeal of the law creating the office of County School Commissioner;

Which was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. McCarty, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to view and mark out a State road from Westport, in Jackson county, to the South-West corner of the State;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. McCarty, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to establish a Court of Common Pleas at Westport, in Jackson county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. McCarty, Burnes and Hardin.

By Mr. McCarty:

A petition of citizens of Jackson county, concerning road legs;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. McCarty, Reid and Fagg.

By Mr. Kelly:

A petition from citizens of Lafayette county, praying an amendment to the school law;

Which was referred to the Committee on Education.

By the same:

The petition of Mary Paine, of Holt county;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Kelly, Wyatt and Donelan.

By the same:

A petition from citizens of Atchison county, praying a State road in Atchison county;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Kelly, Wyatt and Burnes.

By Mr. McFall:

A petition for the relief of William W. Gay and others, of Lawrence county;

Which was referred the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. McMahan:

Sundry petitions and remonstrances relating to a change of the limits of the counties of Greene and Wright;

Which were referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. McMahan, Boyd and Morrow.

Mr. McMahan, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act amendatory of an act for the benefit of Congressional Townships number fifty-one, and fifty-two, in Carroll county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Bullock, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to amend an act entitled, "An act donating certain swamp and overflowed lands to the counties in which they lie," approved March 3rd, 1851;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Swamp Lands.

Mr. Frost, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to pay certain fees in Texas county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. King:

A petition and remonstrance from citizens of Madison county, relating to the road law;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. King, Smith, of B., and Layton.

Mr. Medley, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to provide for laying out and repairing roads and highways in the counties of Boone and Cole;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Monroe:

A petition from citizens of the town of Chillicothe, in Livingston county, praying to be incorporated;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Monroe, Harding and Botts.

Mr. Monroe, on leave, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, By the House of Representatives of the State of Missouri, that after the present week the House of Representatives shall meet every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday nights, at 7 o'clock.

Mr. Holmes, offered the following amendment, which was agreed to:

Amend after the word "resolved" that when this House shall hold night sessions, that it shall be for special business only.

On motion of Mr. Hardin, the resolution, together with the amendment were laid upon the table.

By Mr. Morgan:

A petition from citizens of Bates county, to authorize the county court of Bates county to sell certain school lands;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Morgan, Reid and Neill.

By Mr. Morrow :

A petition from citizens of Greene county, for a State road from Springfield to Carthage;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Morrow, Cravens and McFall.

By Mr. Mott :

A petition from citizens of Dunklin county, for a State road;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Mott, Moore and Holmes.

Mr. Mothershead, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to exempt certain lands from taxation ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Murray :

A petition from citizens of Louisiana, praying an amendment to their city charter ;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Murray, Fagg and Britton.

Mr. Murray, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

A bill supplementary to an act entitled, "An act to prevent illegal banking and the circulation of depreciated paper currency, within the limits of this State ;"

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Banks.

Mr. Moseley, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act for the benefit of the Treasurers of the counties of Pemiscot, Sullivan and Bollinger ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Neill :

A petition and remonstrance from citizens of Lafayette county, praying an extension of the corporate limits of the city of Lexington ;

Which were referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By the same :

The petition of John Brannock ;

Which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Parcells, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to authorize the erection of a toll bridge across the Chariton river at the town of Ninevah, in Adair county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

Mr. Gilstrap moved to strike out the fifth section ;

Which was decided in the affirmative.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Howell, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to change the names of John E. Baker and Polly Ann Roberson, of Oregon county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Patrick, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the "National Insurance Company of St. Louis;"

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Phillips:

A petition from citizens of Laclede county, praying for a prohibitory liquor law;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By the same:

A petition from citizens of Laclede county, praying a repeal of the third power, in section seven, of article four, of district meetings, in the school law;

Which was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Reid, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to change the names of Peter Hintersitt and five others;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Ritchey:

A petition from citizens of Newton county, praying an incorporation of the town of Neosho, accompanied by a bill of the following title:

An act to incorporate the town of Neosho;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and, together with the petition, referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Ritchey, Cravens, McFall and Bullock.

By Mr. Rollins:

A memorial from the General Assembly of Missouri, to Congress, asking a grant of land to aid in completing a Geological Survey of the State;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Rollins, on leave, from the Committee to whom was referred that part of the Governor's Message which relates to the Geological Survey of the State, reported by bill entitled,

An act to amend an act to provide for a Geological and Mineralogical Survey of the State, approved February 24th, 1858;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same:

The petition of Carter F. Burnam and wife praying for an act to sell certain lands;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Rollins, Davis and Guitar.

Mr. Rollins, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to incorporate Central College, at Fayette, Missouri;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Shambaugh, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to reform the pleadings and practice in courts of justice in Missouri, approved February 24th, 1849;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

By Mr. Shenton:

The petition of John Bone and wife, for an act authorizing the sale of lands belonging to the wife and children of John Bone;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Drake, Bean, Wall and Shelton.

By the same:

A petition from citizens of Knox county, praying that a certain road be declared a State road;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Shelton, Drake, Bean and Wall.

By Mr. Smith, of B.:

A petition from citizens of Bollinger county, praying for a charter for a McAdamized road in Bollinger county, accompanied by a bill of the following title:

An act to incorporate the Bollinger County McAdamized Road Co.;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and, together with the petition, referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Smith, of B., Holmes, Clippard and McLane, of Cape G.

Mr. Smith, of P., on leave, introduced a bill entitled;

An act to establish Georgetown Female Institute;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Smith, of P., on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An bill to change a State road from Springfield to St. Louis;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Todd:

The petition of Gabriel Hellams, praying for relief, accompanied by a bill of the following title:

An act for the relief of Gabriel Hellams, a free man of color;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same:

A petition from certain Inn-keepers, accompanied by a bill of the following title:

An act regulating the liabilities of Inn-keepers;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed, and, together with the petition, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By the same:

A memorial from citizens of St. Louis, praying for an act respecting vagrant and destitute children in the city of St. Louis, accompanied by a bill entitled;

An act respecting vagrant and destitute children in the city of St. Louis;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee, consisting of the members of the county of St. Louis.

By Mr. Tucker:

The petition of Reuben Carter, praying for an act to convey certain real estate, accompanied by a bill of the following title:

An act to authorize Reuben Carter to sell certain real estate;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Tucker, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,
An act to incorporate the Old School Presbyterian Church at Greenfield, Dade county, Missouri;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Turner:

The petition of Central School District, in township number forty-seven, of range number ten, Callaway county;

Which was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Turner, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act regulating ferries, approved January 27th, 1845;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Wall, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act for the relief of Peter Jones, of Butler county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Wall, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act for the relief of William A. Whitehead, Collector of Stoddard county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Webb:

A petition from citizens of Crawford county, praying for a prohibitory liquor law;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By the same:

A petition from citizens of Crawford county, praying that certain funds may be applied as stock, in the South-Western Railroad;

Which was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

By the same:

A petition from citizens of Dent county, praying for a change in the time of holding courts in Dent county, accompanied by a bill of the following title:

An act to change the time of holding circuit courts in the county of Dent;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Whitaker, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

A bill to change a State road in Miller county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Whitaker, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to authorize the county court of Miller county to admit the will of John Goodwin to probate:

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Whitaker, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

A bill to authorize Joseph Swanson to keep a dram-shop without a license;

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Bean, rejected.

Mr. White, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act providing for the improvement of Current river ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. White, Chilton, Howell, Blair and Doniphan, of C.

Mr. Williams, of H., on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to establish a State road from the Benton county line, to Warrensburg, in Johnson county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Williams, of H., on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

A bill to change a State road from Springfield to Buffalo ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Wyatt, on leave introduced a bill entitled,

An act to provide for paying petit jurors in Atchison county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Wyatt, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to prevent trespasses in the county of Atchison ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Wyatt :

Sundry memorials from citizens of Atchison county, praying for a prohibitory liquor law ;

Which were referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Hickox, Doniphan, of P., and Blakey.

Mr. Yates, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to amend an act to regulate executions, approved March 26th, 1846 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Yates, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act concerning the duties of Sheriff and Marshal, in the county of St. Louis, in relation to the levy and sale of such property under execution or attachment, as may be claimed by third persons ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Breckinridge, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act providing for the sale of the State Tobacco Warehouse ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Breckinridge, on leave, introduced bills of the following titles, which were severally disposed of as follows :

An act incorporating the Young Mens' Christian Association ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the yeas and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

An act amendatory of an act regulating conveyances ;

Which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

An act supplementary to an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Wesleyan Cemetery Association, approved February 28th, 1851;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

An act to incorporate the Trustees of the St. Louis College of Medical and Natural Sciences;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

An act to amend an act entitled, "An act to amend an act entitled, an act concerning perpetuating testimony;"

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. King,
The House adjourned.

THURSDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 8TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.
Prayer by Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed:

An act to dispose of wet and swamp lands;

An act to amend an act entitled, "An act providing for the education of the blind," approved February 27th, 1851;

An act to change a State road in Marion county;

An act to confirm the incorporation of the Cairo and Fulton Railroad Company, of Missouri, and to apply to the construction of the same the grant of land made to this State by the Congress of the United States, and to accept said grant of land.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate:

An act entitled, an act for the relief of William C. Samuels, Treasurer of Livingston county;

Concurrent resolution in relation to the adjournment of the Legislature;

The Senate has amended, and passed as amended, House bill, entitled, An act concerning the Columbia and Missouri river Plank Road Co.;

An act to authorize Isaac Gray to keep a ferry across the Des Moines river, at the town of Athens, in the county of Clark, Missouri;

The Senate has passed House bills entitled,

An act to incorporate the Danklin and Pemisicott Plank Road Company;

An act to entitle McDonald county to a Representative;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act for the relief of Henry Coffey's heirs;

An act to change a portion of a State road in Sullivan county;

A bill to establish a probate and common pleas court in Jackson county;

An act to incorporate the Chillicothe, Trenton and Princeton Graded Road Company;

An act to authorize an administration of the estate of Thomas Marpin, deceased, in Gasconade county;

An act to give certain powers to the Louisiana and Franklin Plank Road Company, in the county of Pike;

An act to authorize the Register of Lands to receive the delinquent lists of lands of the late Collector of Moniteau county, for the year 1858;

An act to authorize the Sheriff of Benton county to perform certain duties;

An act to establish a State road from Milan, in Sullivan county, to Harmony, in Putnam county;

An act to incorporate the St. Louis German Ladies' Benevolent Society;

An act in relation to grand and petit jurors in Oregon county;

An act to repeal an act entitled, an act to authorize the county court of Madison county to use certain papers, approved January 14th, 1845;

A bill to pay jurors in Cooper county;

An act to authorize the county court of Ralls county to borrow money to pay indebtedness incurred in building Plank roads;

An act to authorize the several courts of this State to change the names of women;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to establish a Land Court in St. Louis county, and for other purposes, approved February 23d, 1853;

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act for the election of county Treasurers, approved February 24th, 1853;

An act to change the name of Rocksean Popejoy and Nancy A. Popejoy to that of Rocksean and Nancy A. Wilson;

An act to change the time of holding circuit courts in the county of Knox;

An act to authorize Jesse B. Allen to erect a dam across Little Torkio river, and for other purposes;

An act in relation to county warrants in the county of Ripley;

An act to pay road overseers in Gentry county;

An act to legalize the acts of G. S. Duckworth, justice of the peace, of Dent county, Missouri;

An act to reenact an act entitled, an act to establish a probate court in the county of Pike;

An act to pay grand and petit jurors in Stoddard county.

The President of the Senate has signed enrolled House bills entitled,

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to authorize the sale of real estate;

An act for the benefit of the executors of the last will of John Woolfolk, deceased;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to change a State road in Lincoln county, approved February 28th, 1851.

Reports from standing committees being in order:

Mr. Hardin, from the Committee to whom was referred so much of the

Governor's Message as relates to the Insane and Deaf and Dumb Asylums, reported bills of the following titles, and recommended their passage:

An act for the enlargement of the Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and two hundred copies ordered to be printed.

An act appropriating money for the support and enlargement of the State Lunatic Asylum;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and two hundred copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Hardin, from the same Committee, to whom was referred an act for the government of the State Lunatic Asylum, and the care of the insane;

Reported the same back, and recommended its passage.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed to a third reading.

Mr. Rollins, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred Senate bill entitled,

An act for the benefit of the Pacific and other Railroad Companies;

Reported the same back with amendment, and recommended its passage.

The amendments were then read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Jones offered the following amendment:

Amend by striking out the words "for a like amount," where they occur in the fourth line of section first, and insert in lieu thereof the following, (to-wit:) "three hundred thousand dollars;"

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Blair, the amendment was rejected.

Mr. Mothersead offered the following amendment:

Amend by adding an additional section, as follows:

The sum of one hundred thousand dollars is hereby loaned to the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad Company, and the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars is hereby loaned to the North Missouri Railroad Company, upon the same terms and subject to the same conditions as herein before prescribed in relation to the Pacific Railroad Company;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time.

Mr. Minor offered the following as a substitute to the amendment of Mr. Mothersead:

Amend the bill by adding an additional section:

§ — That the sum of one hundred thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby loaned to the North Missouri Railroad Company, and one hundred thousand dollars to the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad Company, and seventy-five thousand dollars to the Iron Mountain Railroad Company, and one hundred thousand dollars to the South-West Branch of the Pacific Railroad Company, said last mentioned amount to be expended exclusively in the construction of the South-West Branch proper; and all the amounts specified above, are to be drawn from the Treasury on the same principle and subject to the same provisions, as specified in the first section of this act; *Provided, however,* that no money shall be drawn from the Treasury under the provisions of this section of the bill, until after the expiration of twelve months from the passage of this act;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

On motion of Mr. Reid, the amendment, together with the substitute, were laid upon the table.

Mr. Acock offered the following amendment,

Amend as follows:

Strike out the third section of the bill;

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. Barrett moved to lay the amendment on the table;

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Frost:

AYES—Messrs. Barrett; Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Crosswhite, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Fant, Fagg, Feagan, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Holmes, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Kelly, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, Medley, Minor, Moore, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mothersead, Neill, Nevill, Parcells, Phillips, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of Sullivan, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, White, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—86.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Brady, Brown, of N., Buford, Chilton, Clippard, Gravens, Darby, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Frost, Gilstrap, Harding, Heryford, Hill, Howell, Jones, King, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFarland, McSpadden, Monroe, Mott, Powers, Roberts, Webb and Whitaker—30.

Absent—Mr. Murray.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Clark, Ewing, Farrar, Field, Harris, Hughes, McAfee, Sitton and Williams, of D.

Sick—Messrs. Houghton and Standiford.

Mr. Guitar moved the previous question.

The question then being: Shall the main question be now put?

Was decided in the affirmative.

The bill was then read a third time, when,

Mr. Frost offered the following amendment, by way of ryder:

Amend by striking out the first section of the bill;

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Blair moved the previous question.

The question then being: Shall the main question be now put?

It was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Brady:

AYES—Messrs. Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of St. Louis, Bullock, Crosswhite, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan,

of Platte, Drake, Dyer, Everett, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Hickox, Holmes, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McFall, McMurtry, Morgan, Neill, Parcells, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Todd, White, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt and Yates—62.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Burnet, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Cravens, Darby, Dorris, Frost, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hill, Howell, Jennings, Jones, McCary, McCulloch, McFarland, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monroe, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Navill, Phillips, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Smith, of Sullivan, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker and Mr. Speaker—51.

Absent—Messrs. Moore, Mothersead, Murray and Powers.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

On motion of Mr. Isbell,
The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker appointed — Kinnard, Assistant Enrolling Clerk.

The question being on suspending the rules to permit the amendment of Mr. Frost to be read a second time, when,

On motion of Mr. Brown, of St. Louis, the amendment was laid upon the table.

Mr. Hardeman offered the following amendment by way of rider:

Section one, line eight, amend after "said bonds," "provided that the bonds shall in no case be sold for less than ninety cents on the dollar."

Section three, line two, after "market value," amend "Provided, that the same shall in no case be sold for less than ninety cents in the dollar;"

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Barrett moved to lay the rider upon the table, when,

Mr. Hardeman called for the ayes and noes.

Mr. Frost moved a division of the question.

The question then being on laying the first clause of the rider on the table, it was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. Louis, Buford, Bullock, Burnet, Chilton, Clip-

pard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harrison, Harding, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Holmes, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McCulloch, McFall, McFarland, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mothersead, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, White, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—102.

NOES—Messrs. Burnes, Gilstrap, Graves, Hardeman, Hill, Monroe, Mott and Whitaker—8.

Absent—Messrs. Boyd, Brady, Donelan, Guitar and Parcells.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Messrs. Houghton, Murray and Standiford.

The question then being on laying the second clause of the ryder on the table, it was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

AYES—Messrs. Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. Louis, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of Clay, Drake, Dyer, Everett, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harrison, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McCulloch, McFall, McMurtry, Medley, Minor, Moore, Morrow, Moseley, Mothersead, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Phillips, Reid, Ritchey, Rollins, Shambaugh, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. Louis, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, White, Williams, of H., Yeats and Mr. Speaker—68.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Bohannon, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Chilton, Chipard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Harding, Hardeman, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Jones, McClain, of Cape G., McFarland, McMahan, McSpadden, Monroe, Morgan, Mott, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Shelton, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker and Wyatt—44.

Absent—Messrs. Donelan, Guitar, McCarty and Parcells.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Reid moved the previous question, which was sustained.

The question then being on the passage of the bill, it was decided in the

affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Gilstrap :

AYES—Messrs. Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Crosswhite, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harrison, Hardin, Hickox, Holmes, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McClain, of St. Clair, McFall, McMurtry, Medley, Minor, Moore, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mothersead, Neill, Parcells, Patrick, Phillips, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of St. Louis, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, White, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—83.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Brady, Brown, of N., Buford, Chilton, Clippard, Cravens, Darby, Frost, Gilstrap, Graves, Harding, Hardeman, Hill, Howell, Jones, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McCulloch, McFarland, McMahan, McSpadden, Monro, Nevill, Powers, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Webb and Whitaker—30.

Absent—Messrs. Guitar, Heryford and Mott.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Davis, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred, An act to incorporate Spencersburg Division Sons of Temperance, No. 144, in the county of Pike ;

Reported the same back and recommended its rejection.

The report of the Committee was disagreed to.

Mr. Davis, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred bills of the following titles, reported the same back to the House and recommended their passage :

An act to pay petit jurors in Barry county ;

An act to amend an act entitled, " An act regulating marriages," approved February 20th, 1845 ;

An act to pay witnesses subpoenaed before grand jurors ;

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to apportion representation, approved February 24th, 1853 ;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act incorporating the city of Glasgow, approved February 27th, 1845.

Mr. Davis, from the same Committee, to whom was referred a bill of the following title, reported the same back to the House and recommended its rejection :

An act to pay petit jurors ;

The report was agreed to.

Mr. Davis, from the same Committee, to whom was referred a resolution instructing said Committee to enquire into the propriety and expediency of a general jury law, allowing compensation to petit jurors, and for other purposes ;

Reported the same back to the House and recommended its rejection.
The report was agreed to.

House bill entitled,

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to apportion representation, approved February 24th, 1858 ;

Was taken up, read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Barrett, the regular order of business was passed over.

Mr. Hardeman, from the Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred, An act to incorporate the Jackson County Agricultural and Mechanical Association ;

Reported the same back to the House and recommended its passage.

The report was agreed to, and the bill read a third time and passed.

Mr. Hardeman, from the same Committee, to whom was referred, An act incorporating the Monroe County Agricultural and Mechanical Society ;

Reported the same back to the House and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, the rule requiring the eyes and noses on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Mr. Hardeman, from the same Committee, to whom was referred the petition of John W. Neff and others, reported by resolution entitled,

Joint resolution in relation to McCormick's Reaper ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Mothersead, from the select committee to whom was referred the petition of Caleb Thompson and others, reported by bill entitled,

An act for the benefit of Levi Yates, late Assessor of Gentry county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Mothersead, from the select committee, to whom was referred An act fixing the pay of civil officers ;

Reported the same back to the House with an amendment and recommended its passage.

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Davis offered the following amendment :

Amend by striking out first and second subdivisions of first section and insert in lieu thereof :

Second. The Judges of the Supreme Court, each three thousand dollars.

Third. The Judges of the Circuit Courts, each two thousand dollars ;

Which was read a first time, when,

On motion of Mr. Bean, the bill, together with the amendments, were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Mothersead, from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of Gentry county, and of the territory attached thereto, reported by proposed amendment to the Constitution.

On motion of Mr. Smith, of B., the same was recommitted to the same committee.

Mr. Gentry, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred an act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the

Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad Company, reported by substitute of same title ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when, Mr. Shambaugh offered the following amendment, which was accepted :

Amend by adding an additional section, as follows :

Any person injured by the unlawful acts of the officers, agents or servants of said Company, may prosecute a suit against said Company, in the proper court of the county in which the unlawful act complained of, was committed, and all process issued in such suit, shall be served and returned in the manner now required by law ; *Provided, however*, that this section shall not be construed to authorize a suit against said Company for the causes herein enumerated in the courts of any county which does not border upon or adjoin said Railroad, or through which said Railroad does not pass.

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Newland presented a remonstrance from citizens of Hannibal against the bill.

Mr. Barrett offered the following amendment :

Amend by adding the following sections :

§ 4. The width between the rails, or gauge, of said Railroad, shall be five feet six inches, as required for other railroads in this State.

§ 5. The said Company shall file in the office of the Secretary of State, an acceptance of this act, before any part of it shall take effect, said acceptance to be signed by the President under the corporate seal of said Company ;

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Gentry moved to reject the amendment of Mr. Barrett, pending which,

On motion of Lewis, of C.,

The House adjourned.

FRIDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 9TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

Mr. SPEAKER : I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate :

An act to regulate, govern and discipline the volunteer forces of Missouri :

An act to provide for printing the report of the State Geologist ;

A bill of the following title has passed the Senate :

An act to incorporate the Caledonia Steam Mill Company,
The Senate has adopted a concurrent resolution in relation to the adjournment of the Legislature.

The Senate has agreed to the House amendments to Senate bills entitled,

An act to charter the New Madrid and West Prairie Road Company;

Also, an act for benefit of the Pacific and other railroad companies.

The Senate has adopted House resolutions entitled,

Concurrent resolutions, instructing the Attorney General to sue the securities of Peter G. Glover, deceased.

House bills of the following titles have passed the Senate:

An act to amend an act to provide for a Geological and Mineralogical Survey of the State, approved February 24th, 1853;

A bill for the relief of William C. Remington, of Platte county,

An act to incorporate the Industrial School and temporary house for destitute children;

Resolutions requiring the Secretary of State to furnish the clerk of Wayne county with the Laws of the State and Reports of the Supreme Court;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate Steelville Academy;

An act for the relief of M. F. Crouch, late collector of Newton county;

An act for the benefit of W. H. Spratt, Collector of Platte county;

An act to vacate alleys in the town of Kirksville, Missouri;

An act amendatory of an act to establish a probate court in Daviess county, approved March 8d, 1851;

An act to pay road overseers in Laclede county;

An act for granting to the New York Law Institute, the Statutes and Public Acts of this State.

An act to authorize Pemiscot county to borrow money;

A bill to change the name of Mrs. Mary Hoyt;

A bill to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Louisiana and Middletown Plank or McAdamized Road Company;

An act for a State road from Warrensburg to the Cave Spring, on the boundary line of Cass county, Missouri;

An act for the relief of J. N. Littlejohn;

An act to establish a ferry at Point Pleasant, Missouri;

An act for the relief of William C. Varner;

An act for the relief of the securities of Francis J. Moreau, late Sheriff of Ste. Genevieve county;

An act to repeal an act entitled, an act for opening and repairing roads and highways in Andrew county;

A bill for the improvment of the navigation of the Osage river;

The Speaker laid before the House, the following communication from the Governor:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
City of Jefferson, Mo., February 8th, 1855. }

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives:

GENTLEMEN: I have this day approved and signed bills of the following titles:

An act for the benefit of the executors of the last will of John A. Woolfolk, deceased;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to authorize the sale of real estate ;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to change a State road in Lincoln county.

Very respectfully,
STERLING PRICE.

Mr. Frost asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Dodson:

The question being the rejection of the amendment offered on yesterday by Mr. Barrett, to bill entitled, an act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad Company ;

Was decided in the negative.

The amendment was then read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Gilstrap offered the following amendment :

Amend by adding an additional section, as follows :

Section — The provisions of this act shall not take effect and ensure to the benefit of the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad Company, unless that Company shall survey, locate and construct this road from Hannibal, by way of Palmyra, within one mile of Shelbyville and Bloomington, to St. Joseph.

Provided, that when said Company shall have surveyed and located their road, as herein provided, the said Company shall be entitled to all the rights and benefits conferred by this act ;

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Gilstrap moved to pass over the bill and amendments and make them the special order for Tuesday week ;

Which was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Cunningham, the amendment of Mr. Gilstrap was laid on the table.

The bill, as amended, was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Todd, from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred a bill entitled, an act to incorporate the Missouri and California Overland Mail and Transportation Company ;

Reported the same back with amendments and recommended its passage

The amendments were then read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Doniphan, of P., offered the following amendment : *FW*

Charles A. Perry, Theodore F. Warner, G. W. Belt, A. Gilbert, D. D. Burnes and J. T. V. Thompson ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time, and passed by the following vote :

AYES—Messrs. Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Clippard, Crosswhite, Darnes, David, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Dorris, Everett, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Garth, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of Lewis, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Horyford, Hickox, Holmes, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, McFar-

land, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Moore, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Nevill, Parcells, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of S., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Whitaker, White, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—93.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Buford, Cravens, Darby, Frost, Hill, Lewis, of C., Minor and Phillips—9.

Absent—Messrs. Brown, of N., Chilton, Cunningham, Dyer, Guitar, Monro, Mott, Neill, Shambaugh, Smith, of St. L., Wall and Webb.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Clark, Dodson, Ewing, Farrar, Field, Harris, Hughes, McAfee, Sitton and Williams, of D.

Sick—Messrs. Houghton, Murray and Standiford.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Stevenson, a Senator :

MR. SPEAKER : I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate has reconsidered the vote agreeing to House amendment to Senate bill entitled,

An act for the benefit of the Pacific and other Railroad Companies ;

And have amended said amendment, to which the concurrence of the House is respectfully invited.

Mr. Rollins, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred, an act to amend an act to incorporate the Platte Country Railroad Company, and to expedite the construction of said railroad ;

Reported the same back with amendments and recommended its passage.

The amendments were read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Brady offered the following amendment :

Amend by striking out all after the fourth section of the bill ;

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. Dorris moved to lay the amendment on the table ;

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Brady :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Blair, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Cunningham, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Everett, Fagg, Gentry, Goode, Green, of L., Hardin, Hickox, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Kelly, King, Lewis, of U., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McClain, of St. C., McFarland, McMahan, McMurtry, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mothersead, Neill, Parcells, Patrick, Reid, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Turner, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—54.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Bohannon, Botts, Brady, Brown, of J., Buford, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Drake, Dyer, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of F., Harrison, Hardeman, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Jackson, Layton, McLane,

of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, Monro, Nevill, Pratt, Ritchey, Roberts, Smith, of Bollinger, Smith, of S., Wall, Webb, Whitaker and Williams, of Henry.—43.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Bogy, Brown, of N., Darnes, Fant, Feagan, Guitar, Harding, Jones, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Mott, Phillips, Powers and White.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

On motion of Mr. Green, of L.,
The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The question when the House adjourned being to suspend the rules to permit the bill, of the following title, to be read a third time, it was decided in the affirmative.

The bill was then read a third time, when,

Mr. Darby offered the following amendment by way of ryder :

Amend by an additional section,

“Whenever the Canton and Bloomfield Railroad Company shall comply with the requisitions required of the Platte Country Railroad Company, in section five of this act, they shall be entitled to receive the like amount of State bonds from the Governor, under the same regulations that the Platte Country Railroad Company are to receive bonds;”

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Dorris, was laid upon the table.

The bill was then passed by the following vote :

AYES—Messrs. Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Cunningham, Darnes, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Everett, Fagg, Fant, Gentry, Goode, Green, of L., Guitar, Hardin, Hickox, Isbell, Jennings, Kelly, King, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McClain, of St. C., McMahan, McMurtry, Minor, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Patrick, Phillips, Reid, Rollins, Smith, of E., Todd, Tucker, Turner, White, Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—54.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Botts, Brady, Brown, of J., Buford, Chilton, Cravens, Darby, Davis, Drake, Dyer, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of F., Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Jeffress, Jones, Layton, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McSpadden, Neill, Nevill, Parcells, Powers, Pratt, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Smith, of B., Smith, of S., Webb and Whitaker—44.

Absent—Messrs. Bogy, Clippard, Crosswhite, Feagan, Jackson, McCary, McFarland, Medley, Moore, Monro, Mott, Mothersead, Shelton, Wall and Williams, of H.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Bean, from the Committee on **Enrolled Bills**, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles:

- An act to change the time of holding Circuit Courts in the county of Knox;
- An act to authorize Jesse R. Allen to erect a dam across Little Torkio river, and for other purposes;
- An act to pay grand and petit jurors in Stoddard county;
- An act to authorize the several courts of this State to change the names of women;
- A bill to establish a Probate and Common Pleas court in Jackson county;
- An act to authorize the Sheriff of Benton county to perform certain duties;
- An act to amend an act entitled, an act to establish a land court in St. Louis county, and for other purposes, approved February 23d, 1853;
- An act to pay overseers of public roads;
- An act to incorporate the St. Louis German Ladies' Benevolent Society;
- An act in relation to grand and petit jurors in Oregon county;
- An act to change the names of Rocksean Popejoy and Nancy Ann Popejoy, to Rocksean and Nancy A. Wilson;
- An act to repeal an act to authorize the county court of Madison county to use certain papers, approved January 14, 1845;
- A bill to pay jurors in Cooper county;
- An act to reenact an act entitled, an act to establish a Probate Court in the county of Pike;
- An act to legalize the acts of G. S. Duckworth, a justice of the peace in Dent county;
- An act to change a portion of a State road in Sullivan county;
- An act to incorporate the Chillicothe and Princeton Graded Road Company;
- An act to entitle McDonald county to a representation;
- An act in relation to county warrants in the county of Ripley;
- An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act for the election of county treasurers, approved February 24, 1853;
- An act to authorize the Register of Lands to receive the delinquent list of lands from the late collector of Moniteau county, for the year 1853;
- An act to authorize the county court of Ralls county to borrow money to pay the indebtedness incurred by building plank roads;
- An act to amend an act entitled, an act for the relief of Henry Coffey's heirs;
- An act to authorize the administration of the estate of Thomas Maupin, deceased, of Gasconade county;
- An act to establish a State road from Milan, in Sullivan county, to Harmony, in Putnam county;

An act to incorporate the Dunklin and Pemiscot Railroad Company.

Mr. Rollins called up Senate bill entitled,

An act for the relief of the Pacific and other Railroad Companies.

The Senate amendment to House amendment was then read and agreed to.

Mr. Nevill presented the petition of citizens of Harrison county, praying that a certain county road be declared a State road ;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Nevill, Roberts and Motherhead.

On motion of Mr. Breckinridge,

Resolved, That the Committee on Accounts be directed to audit and allow the account of W. D. Kerr, Esq., Superintendent of the Deaf and Dumb Assylum, for any expense by him incurred in visiting the capitol during the present session of the Legislature, with pupils under his charge, to an amount not exceeding the sum of seventy-five dollars, to be paid out of the contingent fund of the House.

Mr. Todd, from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the Western Missouri Railroad Company ;

Reported the same back with amendments and recommended its passage.

The amendments were then read a first time, rule suspended and agreed to, when,

Mr. Reid offered the following amendment:

Amend by striking out the words, "between ranges twenty-three and twenty-seven," in the second line of the eighth section of printed bill, and insert in lieu thereof "anywhere within this State, and West of Range twenty-three."

Also, by striking out the words, "between ranges twenty-five and thirty-two," in the fourth line of said section, and insert in lieu thereof, "West of Range twenty-five ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and disagreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, the rule requiring the eyes and noses on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Mr. Todd, from the same Committee, to whom was referred, an act to incorporate the St. Louis Ice Company, of St. Louis ;

Reported the same back with amendments and recommended its passage.

The amendments were then read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Todd, from the same Committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act reviving an act incorporating the town of Carrollton, in Carroll county ;

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Todd, from the same Committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the St. Louis Six Penny Savings' Institution ;

Reported the same back with amendments and recommended its passage.

The amendments were read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Mr. Todd, from the same Committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the American Savings' Institution ;

Reported the same back with the following amendments and recommended its passage :

First. That its sixth section be struck out.

Second. That its tenth section be so amended that all, right after the words therein "and perform all the duties of the President regularly chosen," be struck out;

The amendments were then read a first time, when,

On motion of Mr. Brown, of St. L.,

The first amendment was disagreed to.

The second amendment was then read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Mr. Todd, from the same Committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act supplementary to an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Wesleyan Cemetery Association, approved February 28th, 1851 ;

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read a third time and referred to a select committee, consisting of the members from the county of St. Louis.

Mr. Todd, from the same Committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the Trustees of the St. Louis College of Medical and Natural Sciences ;

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Mr. Todd, from the same Committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the National Insurance Company, of St. Louis ;

Reported the same back with amendments and recommended its passage.

The amendments were then read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Mr. Todd, from the same Committee, to whom was referred the petition of C. S. Jeffress, reported by bill entitled,

An act concerning the transportation of slaves by Railroad Companies ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Todd, from the same Committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act establishing limited partnerships ;

Reported the same back with amendments and recommended its passage.

The amendments were then read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed, and one hundred and fifty copies of the report and bill ordered to be printed.

Mr. Hardeman, from the Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to authorize and encourage the establishment of Agricultural Societies in the several counties in this State, and regulate the same;

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Bean, on leave, called up Senate resolution, entitled, Concurrent resolution in relation to the adjournment of the Legislature;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

Mr. Shambaugh offered the following amendment:

Amend by striking out "fifth" and insert "twelfth";

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Graves, was laid on the table.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Breckinridge, from the Committee on Education, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

A bill to pay School Commissioner of Cooper county;

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Breckinridge, from the same Committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to incorporate Central College, at Fayette, Missouri;

Reported the same back with an amendment and recommended its passage

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Breckinridge, from the same Committee, to whom was referred that portion of the Governor's Message, which relates to Common Schools, reported against the expediency of a special tax for the support of schools in this State, and in favor of the existing law;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Breckinridge, from the same Committee, to whom was referred certain resolutions, instructing them to report a bill, abolishing the office of County School Commissioner, reported the following resolutions, and recommended their adoption.

Resolved, That it is not expedient at this time, to abolish the office of County School Commissioner, as established by the existing school laws.

Resolved, That it is not expedient at this time, to abolish the office of Superintendent of Common Schools.

The resolutions were passed over for the present, and made the special order of the day for Tuesday next, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Mr. Moseley, from the Committee on Swamp Lands, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act relating to certain swamp lands in Missouri;

Reported the same back with an amendment, and recommended its passage;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed, and one hundred and fifty copies printed.

Mr. Moseley, from the same Committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to legalize the sale of swamp and overflowed lands in the counties of Stoddard, Mississippi, Scott, New Madrid, Pemiscot, Wayne, Cape Girardeau, Butler, Ripley and Dunklin;

Reported the same back with an amendment, and recommended its passage.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Moseley, from the same Committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act supplementary to, and amendatory of an act entitled, an act donating certain swamp and overflowed lands to the counties in which they lie, approved March 3d, 1851;

Reported by substitute of the same title, and recommended its passage, Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

Mr. Gilstrap offered a substitute for the substitute, of the same title:

The substitute of the Committee, together with the substitute of Mr. Gilstrap, were ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Fagg,

The House adjourned.

SATURDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 10, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that House bills of the following titles have passed the Senate:

An act to regulate the funds accruing from fines in the county of Dade;

An act to authorize Nathan and Filander Johnson to erect a dam across Big Turkey river;

An act to view, mark out and locate a State road in Taney, Stone and Barry counties;

An act to vacate a State road in the county of Dade;

A bill to establish a State road in the counties of Jefferson, Franklin and Washington;

Proposed amendments to the Constitution in relation to the county of Schuyler;

Bills of the following titles have passed the Senate:

A bill to amend an act entitled, an act to establish a probate court in the city of Hannibal;

An act amendatory of an act to incorporate the Howard County Mutual Insurance Company;

A bill to incorporate the Dime Savings' Institution of St. Louis;

An act to incorporate the St. Charles Ferry Company.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed :

An act supplementary to an act passed at the present session entitled, an act touching the indebtedness of the late county of Vernon ;

An act for the relief of Robert Taylor ;

A bill of the following title has been introduced into the Senate :

A bill to increase the salaries of Judges.

The Senate has indefinitely postponed Senate bill entitled,

An act for the relief of Hiram R. Revels.

The Senate has rejected Senate constitutional amendment entitled, Proposition to amend the 8th section of the 3rd article of the Constitution.

Mr. Bean, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles :

An act to incorporate the Industrial School and temporary house for destitute children ;

An act amendatory of an act to establish a probate court in the county of Daviess ;

An act to establish a ferry at Point Pleasant, Missouri ;

An act for a State road from Warrensburg to the Cave Spring, on the boundary line of Cass county, Missouri ;

An act granting to the New York Law Institute, the Statutes and Public Acts of this State.

An act for the relief of William C. Varner ;

An act for the benefit of W. H. Spratt, Collector of Platte county ;

An act for the relief of M. F. Crouch, late collector of Newton county ;

Resolutions ordering the Secretary of State to furnish the clerk of Wayne county with a set of the Laws of Missouri, and Reports of the Supreme Court ;

An act to vacate alleys in the town of Kirksville ;

An act to pay road overseers in Laclede county ;

An act to give certain powers to the Louisiana and Frankford Plank Road Company ;

An act to authorize Pemiscot county to borrow money ;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Louisiana and Middletown Plank or McAdamized Road Company ;

A bill for the relief of William C. Remington ;

A bill to change the name of Mrs. Mary Hoyt ;

An act to repeal an act for opening and repairing roads and highways in Andrew county ;

Mr. Green, of L., on leave, presented a petition from citizens of Lewis county, praying the passage of a prohibitory liquor law ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Harrison, from the Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

A bill for the benefit of the Law Library Association of St. Louis ;

Reported by substitute of the same title and recommended its passage.

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Harrison, from the same Committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to exempt from taxation certain lands sold by the State of Missouri;

Reported the same back with an amendment and recommended its passage.

The amendment was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and the bill and amendment were passed over for the present.

Mr. Harrison, from the same Committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to perfect and preserve the records in the office of Secretary of State;

Reported the same back with amendments and recommended its passage.

The amendments were read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

On motion of Mr. Hardin, the bill, together with the amendments, were indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Harrison, from the same Committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to protect slave property in Missouri;

Reported the same back and recommended that the bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The report was agreed to and the bill referred,

Mr. Harrison, from the same Committee, to whom was referred the petition of citizens of Dent county, praying for an act for the relief of Jacob L. Wooliver;

Reported the same back and recommended that the prayer of the petitioners be not granted.

The report was agreed to.

Mr. Harrison, from the same Committee, to whom was referred the petitions of citizens of Osage county, praying for an act for the relief of Christine Herschgen;

Reported the same back and recommended that the prayer of the petitioners be not granted.

The report was agreed to.

Mr. Harrison, from the same Committee, to whom was referred the petition of citizens of St. Louis county, asking for the passage of a prohibitory liquor law;

Reported the same back and recommended that the prayer of the petitioners be not granted.

The report was agreed to.

Mr. Harrison, from the same Committee, to whom was referred the petition of citizens of Morgan county, asking for the passage of a prohibitory liquor law;

Reported the same back and recommended that the prayer of the petitioners be not granted.

The report was agreed to.

Mr. Harrison, from the same Committee, to whom was referred the petitions of citizens of the counties of Andrew, Pike, Franklin, Crawford, Laclede and Marion, asking for the passage of a prohibitory liquor law;

Reported the same back and recommended that the prayer of the petitioners be not granted.

The report was agreed to.

Mr. Harrison, from the same Committee, to whom was referred the

petition of citizens of Grundy county, praying an act for the relief of Simpson Burgess ;

Reported the same back and recommended that the prayer of the petitioners be not granted.

The report was then recommitted to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Harding, Darby and Garth.

Mr. Darnes, from the Committee on Revised and Unfinished Business, reported petitions from citizens of the counties of Clay, Montgomery, Platte, Howard, Hickory, Cape Girardeau, Lewis, Warren and St. Louis, praying the passage of a prohibitory liquor law ;

Which were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Darnes, from the same Committee, reported a bill entitled,

A bill for the relief of Marquis De Lafayette Thomasson ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Darnes, Alexander, King and Chilton.

Mr. Darnes, from the same Committee, reported bills of the titles,

An act to amend an act entitled, an act concerning costs, approved March 25th, 1845 ;

An act concerning practice and proceedings in criminal cases ;

Which were read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

Also, bills of the following titles :

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to license and tax peddlers ;

A bill to provide for a numerical arrangement of taxable lands ;

Which were read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Jeffress, from the Committee on Elections, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to provide for the election of County Treasurer, in Henry county ;

Reported by substitute of the following title :

An act to make the offices of Public Administrator and County Treasurer, in Henry county, elective ;

The substitute was then read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Jeffress, from the same Committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

A bill to change the mode of voting in DeKalb county ;

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

The report was agreed to, and the bill passed over for the present.

Mr. Heryford, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to establish a court of common pleas, in the city of Brunswick ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Brady, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to amend an act to regulate elections, approved March 28th, 1845 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, referred to the Committee on Elections, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Lightner, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to establish a House of Refuge, in St. Louis county ;
Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee, consisting of the members from the county of St. Louis.

On motion of Mr. Nevill,
The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER : I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate has passed a resolution respectfully requesting the House to return for the further consideration of the Senate:

House concurrent resolution requiring the Attorney General to commence and prosecute a suit against the securities of Peter G. Glover, deceased.

Mr. Green, of L., asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Jackson.

Mr. Lightner asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Smith, of St. Louis

Mr. Jeffress, from the Committee on Elections, to whom was referred a resolution to change the time for holding the general elections in this State, and that said elections continue for one day only, reported constitutional amendment entitled,

Proposed amendment to the Constitution in relation to the time of holding elections ;

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Dyer offered the following amendment :

Insert " third Monday in October ;"

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Bean offered the following amendment to the amendment :

Strike out " the third Monday," and insert " the second Monday ;"

Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Brown, of St. Louis, the proposed Constitutional amendment, together with the amendments, were laid upon the table by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Todd :

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Clippard, Cravens, Darby, Davis, Drake, Dorris, Fagg, Fant, Frost, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Hickox, Hill, Howell, Isbell, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, Medley, Monro, Mott, Murray, Nevill, Parcells, Pratt, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of B., Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams of D., Williams, of Henry, and Wyatt—56.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Bradford,

Breckinridge, Britton, Burnet, Crosswhite, Cunningham, Donahen, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Dyer, Garth, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McFarland, McSpadden, Moore, Morgan, Morrow, Mothersead, Neill, Patrick, Phillips, Reid, Roberts, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Yates and Mr. Speaker—47.

Absent—Messrs. Chilton, Darnes, Everett, Feagan, Holmes, Minor, Moseley, Powers, Rollins, Smith, of P., Smith, of S., and Standiford.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Clark, Dodson, Ewing, Farrar, Field, Harris, Hughes, Jackson, McAfee, Sitton and Smith, of St. Louis.

Sick—Messrs. Brown, of N., and Houghton.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Wilson, a Senator:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that a House bill of the following title has passed the Senate:

An act to amend an act to incorporate the Platte Country Railroad Company, and to expedite the construction of said railroad.

Concurrent resolution of the following title has passed the Senate:

Concurrent resolution in relation to the election of U. S. Senator.

Mr. Jeffress, from the Committee on Elections, to whom was referred a resolution in relation to the time of holding elections, reported by bill entitled, act concerning elections;

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. Bean moved its rejection;

Which was decided in the negative.

The bill was then read a second time, when,

Mr. Gilstrap offered the following amendment to the first section:

Provided, this act shall not apply to the county of Macon;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

On motion of Mr. Davis,

The bill, together with the amendment, was passed over for the present, and made the special order of the day for Wednesday next.

Mr. Jeffress, from the same committee, reported a bill entitled, an act to pay judges and clerks of election, and recommended its passage;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time when,

Mr. Brady offered the following amendment:

Insert "one dollar per day each," after "allowed," and strike out "such compensation," and also strike out; "as the county courts of the respective counties may deem reasonable;"

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Blair, laid on the table.

Mr. Mothersead offered the following amendment:

Insert "one dollar and fifty cents per day for the judges and clerks, and one dollar per day for the constable in attendance at the polls;"

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Guitar, laid on the table.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Murray, one hundred and fifty copies of a bill of the following title was ordered to be printed:

A bill supplementary of an act to prevent illegal banking and the circulation of depreciated paper currency within the limits of this State.

Mr. Barrett, from the Committee on Claims, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act for the relief of Edward F. Dietz,

Reported the same back and recommended its passage;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Barrett, from the same committee, to whom was referred the petition of Anderson McCampbell, reported by bill entitled,

An act for the relief of Anderson McCampbell, of Callaway county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Barrett, from the same committee, to whom was referred the petition of M. T. Green, reported by bill entitled,

An act for the relief of M. T. Green, Sheriff of Daviess county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Barrett, from the same committee, to whom was referred Senate bill entitled,

An act to appropriate money;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Barrett, from the same committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to pay certain fees in Texas county;

Reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Barrett, from the same committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act for the relief of Peter McClain;

Reported the same back, and recommended its rejection.

The report was agreed to, and the bill rejected.

Mr. Barrett, from the same committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

A bill for the benefit of Elizabeth Thornton;

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Barrett, from the same Committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act for the benefit of Abednigo Baze, of Barry county;

Reported the same back and recommended its rejection.

The report was agreed to and the bill rejected.

Mr. Barrett, from the same Committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act for the relief of Samuel Walkup, of Atchison county;

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Barrett, from the same Committee, to whom was referred the petition of John B. Higdon and others;

Reported a bill of the following title, and recommended its passage.

An act for the relief of John B. Higdon, Elisha Browning, T. A. Kelly, William W. Gray, O. H. Kelly and William D. Garrison, of Lawrence county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Barrett, from the same Committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

A bill for the relief of Joseph T. Field;

Reported the same back and recommended its rejection.

The report was agreed to and the bill rejected.

Mr. Barrett, from the same Committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

A bill for the relief of Robert Dysart, late Sheriff of Saline county;

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Barrett, from the same Committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act for the relief of James Saunders, of Callaway county;

Reported the same back and recommended its passage;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Reports from select committees being in order :

Mr. Monro, from the select committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the Chillicothe, Springhill and Bethany Graded Road Company;

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, the rule requiring the yeas and noes on all acts of incorporation, being in dispensed with.

Mr. Monro, from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of citizens of the town of Chillicothe;

Reported by bill of the following title and recommended its passage;

An act to incorporate the town of Chillicothe;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Rollins, from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of Carter F., and Sarah H. Burnam;

Reported by bill of the following title and recommended its passage:

An act for the relief of Sarah H. Burnam;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Brady,

The House adjourned.

MONDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 12TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holiday, Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate:

An act to incorporate the Commercial Insurance Company of Saint Louis;

An act to incorporate the Engineers' Union Fire and Marine Insurance Company of St. Louis;

An act to secure the completion of certain railroads in this State.

Mr. Bean, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles:

An act to establish a State road in the counties of Jefferson, Dunklin and Washington;

Proposed amendment to the Constitution, in relation to the county of Schuyler;

An act for the relief of the securities of Francis J. Moreau, of Ste Genevieve county;

An act for improvement of the navigation of the Osage river;

An act to vacate a State road in the county of Dade;

An act to amend an act to provide for a Geological and Mineralogical Survey of the State of Missouri;

Mr. Doniphan, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly engrossed, a bill of the following title:

An act entitled, an act for the government of the State Lunatic Asylum, and the care of the same.

Mr. Frost, from the select committee to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to organize the county of Calhoun;

Reported the same back and recommended its rejection.

The report was agreed to.

Mr. Gilstrap, from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of citizens of Macon county;

Reported a bill of the following title and recommended its passage:

An act to change the name of the town of Centerville, in Macon county, to that of Woodville;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Holmes, from the select committee to whom was referred the petition of citizens of Wayne and Butler counties;

Reported by bill of the following title and recommended its passage:

An act to establish a State road from Greenville, in Wayne county, to Gillis' Bluff, on Black river, in Butler county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Holmes, from the select committee to whom, was referred Senate bill entitled,

An act concerning Sheriffs and Collectors;

Reported the same back and recommended its rejection.

The report was agreed to, and,

On motion of Mr. Holmes, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Murray, from the select committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to amend and reduce into one, the several acts incorporating the town of Louisiana, and to organize the same into a city, approved March 10th, 1849;

Reported the same back, and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Nevill, from the select committee to whom was referred the petition of citizens of Harrison county, reported a bill of the following title and recommended its passage:

An act declaring a certain county road in Harrison county, a State road;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Davis, from the select committee to whom was referred the petition of Martha J. Shirley and others, reported a bill of the following title and recommended its passage:

An act for the relief of Martha J. Shirley;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Roberts, from the select committee to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to view and mark out a State road through Mercer county;

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Mayo, a Senator:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that the President of the Senate has signed enrolled House bill entitled,

An act for the improvement of the navigation of the Osage river.

An act to amend an act to provide for a Geological and Mineralogical Survey of the State, approved February 24, 1853.

Mr. Burnet, from the select committee to whom was referred the petition of citizens of the town of Newark, reported a bill of the following title and recommended its passage:

An act to incorporate the town of Fillmore;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Donelan, from the select committee to whom was referred a bill of the following title,

An act for the benefit of John R. Williams, of Andrew county,

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Bogy, from the select committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled,

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Ste. Genevieve, Iron Mountain and Pilot Knob Plank Road Company, approved February 7, 1851,

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, by the following vote :

AYES—Messrs. Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Clark, Crosswhite, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorriess, Dyer, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Guitar, Hardin, Hickox, Layton, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McFarland, McMurtry, Medley, Moore, Morgan, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Phillips, Pratt, Roberts, Shambaugh, Smith, of P., Standiford, Wall, White, Williams, of H., Yeats and Mr. Speaker—64.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Boyd, Buford, Chilton, Clippard, Cravens, Darby, Everett, Frost, Gilstrap, Graves, Harrison, Hardeman, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Isbell, Jones, Kelly, King, McCary, McColloch, McFall, McSpadden, Minor, Monro, Morrow, Powers, Reid, Ritchey, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of S., Whitaker and Wyatt—37.

Absent—Messrs. Brady, Cunningham, Donelan, Garth, Green, of L., Harding, Jennings, Lewis, of C., McClain, of St. C., McMahan, Parcells, Rollins, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Webb and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Ewing, Farrar, Harris, Hughes, Jackson, McAfee, Sitton and Smith, of St. Louis.

Sick—Mr. Houghton.

Excused from voting—Mr. Jeffress.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Governor:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
City of Jefferson, Mo., February 12, 1855. }

To the Honorable the House of Representatives :

GENTLEMEN : I have this day approved and signed a bill of the following title :

An act to amend an act to provide for a Geological and Mineralogical Survey of the State, approved February 24, 1853.

STERLING PRICE.

Mr. Boyd, from the select committee to whom was referred the petition of citizens of Greene county, praying the establishment of a new county, reported that the prayer of the petitioners be not granted.

The report was agreed to.

Mr. White, from the select committee to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act providing for the improvement of Current river,

Reported the same back, with amendments, and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read a third time, when,

Mr. Heryford offered the following amendment, by way of rider, as an additional section :

That the sum of ten thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to the Grand Chariton river, for the purpose of clearing out the snags of said river; and should the same be insufficient, the said sum may be appropriated to the construction of bridges within the county of Chariton, under the supervision of the county court of said county;

Which was read a first time, when,

On motion of Mr. Smith, of S.,

The House then adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER : I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that the President of the Senate has signed enrolled House bills of the following titles :

An act to regulate and pay grand and petit jurors in Stoddard county;

An act to incorporate the Dunklin and Pemiscot Plank Road Company;

An act to establish a State road from Milan; in Sullivan county, to Harmony, in Putnam county;

An act to authorize the Register of Lands to receive the delinquent lists of lands of the late Collector of Moniteau county, for the year 1853;

An act to incorporate the Industrial School and Temporary Home for destitute children;

A bill to establish a Probate and Common Pleas Court in Jackson county;

An act to entitle the county of McDonald to a Representative;

An act to amend an act concerning grand and petit jurors in Cooper county, approved February 15th, 1849;

An act in relation to grand and petit jurors in Oregon county;

An act to amend an act entitled, "An act to establish a land court in St. Louis county and for other purposes," approved February 28d, 1853;

An act for the relief of M. F. Crouch, late Collector of Newton co.;

An act for the relief of William C. Varner, late Sheriff of Ste. Genevieve county;

An act granting to the New York Law Institute, the Statutes and Public Acts of this State;

An act to amend an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Louisiana and Middletown Plank or McAdamized Road Company,"

A bill to change the name of Mrs. Mary Hoyt;

An act for a State road from Warrensburg to the Cave Spring, on the boundary line of Cass county;

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to provide for the election of County Treasurers, approved February 24th, 1858;

An act to change the name of Rocksean and Nancy A. Popejoy to that of Rocksean Wilson and Nancy A. Wilson;

An act to authorize the several courts of this State to change the names of women;

An act to pay road overseers in Laclede county;

An act to authorize the county court of Pemiscot county to borrow money;

An act to establish a ferry at Point Pleasant, Missouri;

An act amendatory of an act to establish a probate court in Daviess county, approved March 3d, 1851;

An act for the relief of William O. Edwards, Thomas F. Edwards, William P. Doss, Jas. Moreau and Frederick Harman, securities of Francis J. Moreau, late Sheriff of Ste. Genevieve county;

An act to authorize the sale of the 16th section in township 43;

An act to establish a State road in the counties of Jefferson, Franklin and Washington;

Joint resolutions requiring the Secretary of State to furnish the clerk of the circuit court of Wayne county with certain laws;

An act to change a portion of a State road leading from Kirksville, in Adair county, to Milan, in Sullivan county;

An act to authorize an administration of the estate of Thomas Maupin, deceased, in Gasconade county;

An act to amend an act entitled, "An act for the relief of Henry Coffey's heirs;"

An act to incorporate the St. Louis German Ladies' Benevolent Society;

An act to incorporate the Chillicothe, Trenton and Princeton Graded Road Company;

An act to authorize the county court of Ralls county to borrow money to pay the indebtedness incurred in constructing plank roads;

An act to change the time of holding circuit courts in the county of Knox;

An act to repeal an act entitled, "An act to authorize the county court of Madison county to use certain papers," approved January 14, 1845;

An act in relation to county warrants in the county Ripley;

An act to pay road overseers;

An act to repeal an act entitled, an act for opening and repairing roads and highways in Andrew county, approved February 24th, 1853;

An act to vacate alleys in Kirksville, in Adair county;

An act for the benefit of W. H. Spratt, Collector of Platte county, Missouri;

A bill for the relief of William C. Remington, of Platte county;

An act to give certain powers to the Louisiana and Frankford Plank Road Company, in the county of Pike;

Proposed amendment to the Constitution in relation to Schuyler county;

An act to vacate a State road in the county of Dade;

An act to authorize Jesse R. Allen to erect a dam across Little Torkio river.

An act to reenact an act entitled, an act to establish a probate court in Pike county, approved March 6th, 1849;

An act to legalize the acts of G. S. Duckworth, justice of the peace, of Dent county.

Mr. Doniphan, of P., from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly engrossed, bills of the following titles:

An act to authorize and encourage the establishment of Agricultural Societies in the several counties of this State, and regulate the same;

An act to legalize the sale of swamp and overflowed lands in the county of Stoddard;

An act relating to certain swamp lands in Missouri.

Mr. Acork offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That smoking shall be prohibited in the Hall of the House of Representatives during the sessions thereof.

Mr. Brown, of St. L., offered the following amendment:

That no more apples be eaten in this Hall.

Mr. Clippard moved to lay the resolution and amendment on the table; Which was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Morrow, the amendment was laid on the table.

Mr. Heryford offered the following amendment:

Amend by instructing the door-keeper to furnish member with a twist of pig-tail tobacco each day, and pay for the same out of the contingent fund of the House, which was,

On motion of Mr. Williams, of D., laid on the table.

Mr. Barrett offered the following amendment:

If gentlemen will chew tobacco, they shall not be allowed to spit, which was,

On motion of Mr. Ritchey, laid on the table.

Mr. Lighner offered the following amendment:

After the word "smoking" add "and chewing of tobacco," which was,

On motion of Mr. Smith, of P., laid on the table.

The resolution was then adopted.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment of Mr. Heryford, to bill entitled,

An act providing for the improvement of Current river.

On motion of Mr. King, the amendment was laid on the table.

Mr. Bolts offered the following amendment, by way of ryder:

That thirty thousand dollars be appropriated to the improvement of North Grand river, to be applied between the mouth of said river and the forks at Utica;

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Field, was laid on the table.

Mr. Gilstrap offered the following amendment by way of ryder, as an additional section:

§ — A Board of Internal Improvement is hereby organized to improve the navigation of the Chariton river, composed of three members, one of which shall be appointed by the county court of Chariton county; one by that of Macon county, and these two to choose a third. All the provisions of this act shall apply to the board hereby established; except

the amount of money appropriated to Current river. The sum of ten thousand dollars is hereby appropriated to improve the navigation of the Chariton river, to be applied in like manner and subject to the same provisions, as that to Current river.

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Holmes, was laid on the table.

Mr. Williams, of D., moved to lay the bill on the table, which was decided in the negative.

The bill was then passed by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Williams, of D.:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Clark, Crosswhite, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Dorriass, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Feagan, Field, Frost, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Harde-
man, Hardin, Hickox, Holmes, Howell, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Kelly, King, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFarland, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monro, Morgan, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Neill, Parcels Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Reid, Rollins, Smith, of P., Todd, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of H., Yeats and Mr. Speaker—85.

NOES—Messrs. Bean, Botts, Boyd, Cravens, Drake, Fant, Gilstrap, Graves, Heryford, Hill, McFall, Morrow, Murray, Nevill, Pratt, Ritchey, Shelton, Smith, of Bollinger, Smith, of S., and Williams, of D.—20.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Burnet, Darby, Donelan, Dyer, Farrar, Garth, Jones, Layton, McClain, of St. Clair, McMahan, Roberts, Shambaugh, Tucker and Wyatt.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Baker, Dodson, Harris, Jackson, McAfee, Sitton, Smith, of St. Louis, and Standiford.

Sick—Mr. Houghton.

Mr. King, from the select committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to organize the county of Maries;

Reported the same back with an amendment, and recommended its passage.

The amendment was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Darnes offered the following amendment:

Strike out "N aries," where it occurs, and insert "Bogy;"

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Brown, of St. L., was laid on the table.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, by the following vote, the ayes noes being demanded by Mr. Frost:

AYES—Messrs. Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Brown, of St. Louis, Burnet, Burnes, Clark, Crosswhite, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of Clay, Dorris, Everett, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Green, of F., Harding, Hickox, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McMahan, McMurtry, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monroe, Morgan, Morrow, Mothersead, Parcels, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Roberts, Shelton, Smith, of P., Smith, of S., White, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—59.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Clippard, Cunningham, Drake, Dyer, Ewing, Field, Frost, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Holmes, Howell, Hughes, Lewis, of C., McCary, McFarland, McSpadden, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Shambaugh, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker and Williams, of D.—47.

Absent—Messrs. Bullock, Chilton, Doniphan, of P., Hill, McClain, of St. C., McFall, Mott, Ritchey, Rollins, Smith, of B., and Standiford.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Messrs. Garth and Houghton.

Excused from voting—Messrs. Cravens and Moseley.

Mr. Dyer, from the select committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act concerning roads and highways in Randolph county;

Reported by substitute of the following title:

An act for opening and repairing public roads and highways in the counties of Lincoln, Randolph, Warren, Montgomery, Johnson, Bates, Andrew, Hickory, Taney, Boone, Cole, Moniteau, Osage and other counties;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

Mr. Moseley offered the following amendment:

This act shall also apply to the counties of Scott, Pemiscot, Dunklin, Mississippi, Lafayette, Franklin, Stone, St. Francois, Linn, Livingston, Pottis, Chariton, Benton, Henry and Daviess;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Hardin moved to strike out section 30, which was,

On motion of **Mr. Britton**, laid on the table.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

On motion of **Mr. Wall**,

The House adjourned until 7 o'clock, this evening.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Hardin offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House shall confine its night sessions to local legislation only.

Mr. Gentry offered the following amendment:

Provided, That general bills, petitions and other general business may be introduced, read a first and second time, referred, and ordered to be printed, if so ordered by the House.

The amendment was agreed to, and the resolution, as amended, adopted.

Propositions and motions being in order,

Bills of the following titles were introduced and severally disposed of as follows:

By Mr. Barrett:

An act to authorize the curator of James Prather to lease lands;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same:

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Mutual Savings' Institution, approved February 23d, 1853;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

By Mr. Blair:

An act amendatory to an act entitled, an act amendatory to an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Trustees of the German Society of St. Louis, approved March 3d, 1851;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

By the same:

An act to authorize St. Louis county to issue "tax certificate exchange bonds;"

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to a select committee, consisting of the members from the county of St. Louis.

By Mr. Boggs:

Concurrent resolution in relation to the Auditor of Public Accounts;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and passed.

By the same:

An act in relation to county court justices;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Bohannon:

An act to relieve the county of Ray from the pay of jury fees in all suits of law, that come into the circuit court of said county by change of venue from other counties,

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same:

An act to establish a court of common pleas in Ray county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Botts :

An act to amend an act entitled, ~~an act to establish~~ courts of record and prescribe their powers and duties, approved March 27th, 1845 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same :

An act to establish a State road in the counties of Lewis and Knox ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Bradford, on leave, presented a petition from citizens of Morgan and Miller counties, praying for a State road ;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Bradford, Williams, of H., and Blakey.

Mr. Bradford, on leave, from the select committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to elect School Commissioner, County Treasurer and Public Administrator in Ray, Caldwell, and other counties ;

Reported the same back to the House and recommended its passage.

Mr. Breckinridge offered the following amendment :

Amend by striking out the words, "County School Commissioner" where they occur in the bill ;

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Jeffress moved to lay the amendment on the table.

Mr. Holmes moved to refer the bill, together with the amendment, to the Committee on Education ;

Which was decided in the negative.

The question being on laying the amendment on the table,

It was decided in the negative.

The amendment was then read a second time and disagreed to.

Mr. Hardeman offered the following amendment :

Amend by adding Saline county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. King offered the following amendment :

This act shall apply to the counties of Madison and Adair, except so much of the act that provides for the election of County Treasurers.

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Green, of L., offered the following amendment :

Amend by adding the county of Lewis ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. McCulloch offered the following amendment :

That so much as applies to the election of School Commissioner, be applied to Jefferson county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Hill offered the following amendment :

Amend by adding Pulaski county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Williams, of M., offered the following amendment :

Amend by adding the county of Henry, except so far as respects County Treasurer and Public Administrator ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when, On motion of Mr. Frost, the bill, together with the amendments, were laid on the table.

By Mr. Breckinridge :

An act creating the office of Assistant Circuit Attorney, in St. Louis county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee, consisting of the members of St. Louis county.

By the same :

An act for the relief of Peter Thompson and others ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Shambaugh moved to reconsider the vote on laying on the table the bill entitled,

An act to elect School Commissioner, County Treasurer and Public Administrator in Ray, Caldwell and other counties ;

Which was decided in the negative.

By Mr. Acock:

A bill to prohibit dram-shop license, unless a majority of tax payers petition, and the applicant to make oath not to sell to slaves, without consent of owner;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Britton :

An act to amend an act respecting executors and administrators, approved January 27th, 1845 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By the same :

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to regulate fees, approved March 27, 1845 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Brown, of J. :

An act to build a bridge in Jefferson county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same :

An act concerning roads and highways in the county of Jefferson ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Brown, of St. L. :

An act to incorporate the Allen Iron Company ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Brown, of St. Louis,

Resolved, That the Committee on Ways and Means be, and they are hereby instructed, to inquire into the reasons why the Auditor of this State has not heretofore directed prosecution to be commenced in the

name of the State, for the official delinquencies of the late Peter G. Glover, former Treasurer of this State, as by law he was required to do, and report the same to this House as soon as practicable.

By Mr. Buford :

An act to change the time of holding courts in the fifth Judicial circuit;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same :

An act to prevent and punish fraud in the use of false stamps and labels;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Bullock :

An act to legalize the sales of certain sixteenth section lands in Cedar county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when, Mr. Jennings offered the following amendment :

Amend by adding the counties of Taney, Stone, Newton and Wright ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

By the same :

An act to regulate fees ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Burnet :

An act to annex fractional townships No. 58, range 36, to township 58, range 35, in Andrew county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same :

An act authorizing the curator of the minor heirs of David R. Holt, deceased, to lay off and sell town lots ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Burnes, on leave, from the select committee to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the Weston Mutual Insurance Company ;

Reported the same back, with an amendment, and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, the rule requiring the eyes and noses on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

By Mr. Burnes :

An act to incorporate Weston Lodge, No. 53, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons ;

Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Rollins,

The House adjourned.

TUESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY, 13TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary:

Mr. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed:

A bill for the relief of Fielding Burnes;

An act for the benefit of Charles J. Drury, of Montgomery county;

The Senate has passed an act entitled,

An act to authorize H. H. Beach to act as executor of Hugh Henry, deceased,

As a substitute for House bill entitled,

An act to legalize the acts of H. H. Beach, executor of Hugh Henry, deceased, of Knox county.

Reports from select committees being in order,

Mr. McCarty, from the select committee to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to establish a Court of Common Pleas at Westport, in Jackson county,

Reported the same back, with amendments, and recommended its passage.

The amendments were read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Fagg, the bill, together with the amendments, were laid on the table.

Mr. McCarty, from the select committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to incorporate Golden Square Lodge, No. 107,

Reported the same back and recommended its passage;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Heryford, from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of citizens of Chariton county, reported a bill of the following title; and recommended its passage:

An act to authorize the sale of certain school lands in Chariton county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended; read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Lewis, of C., from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of citizens of Clark county, reported a bill of the following title, and recommended its passage,

An act to incorporate the Egyptian Levee Company,

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Mr. Lewis, of C., from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of citizens of Clark county, reported a bill of the following title, and recommended its passage,

An act granting the Des Moines river Navigation and Railroad Company the right of way;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Smith, of B., from the select committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the Bollinger County McAdamized Road Company;

Reported the same back, with an amendment, and recommended its passage.

The amendment was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Mr. Dorriss, from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of citizens of Platte county, reported a bill of the following title, and recommended its passage,

An act to incorporate the town of New Market, Platte county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Mr. Dorriss, from a majority of the select committee, to whom was referred Senate bill entitled,

A bill to locate a State road in Clay and Platte counties;

Reported the same back with amendments and recommended its passage.

The amendments were then read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Dorriss, from the select committee, to whom was referred Senate bill entitled,

A bill to establish a State road in Platte county;

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Kelly, from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of citizens of Atchison county, reported a bill of the following title, and recommended its passage:

An act to change a State road in Atchison county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Kelly, from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of Mary Paine, executrix of Ballinger Paine, deceased, reported a bill of the following title, and recommended its passage:

An act for the relief of Mary Paine, executrix of Ballinger Paine, deceased, late of Holt county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Bean, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled,

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Steelville Academy;

An act to amend an act to incorporate the Platte Country Railroad Company, and to expedite the construction of said Railroad;

An act to authorize Nathan and Philander Johnson to erect a dam across Big Torkio river;

An act to view, mark and locate a State road in Taney, Stone and Barry counties;

An act for the relief of J. N. Littlejohn, late Clerk of Ste. Genevieve county.

On motion of Mr. Britton, one hundred and fifty copies of a bill of the following title, were ordered to be printed :

An act to amend an act respecting executors and administrators, approved January 27th, 1845.

Mr. Jones, from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of James Brice, reported the same back and recommended that the prayer of the petitioner be not granted.

Mr. Phillips moved to reject the report of the committee, which was decided in the negative.

The report was then agreed to.

Mr. Hughes, from the select committee, to whom was referred Senate bill entitled,

A bill to establish a State road in Clay and Clinton counties;

Reported the same back with an amendment and recommended its passage.

The amendment was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Green, of F., from the select committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act specifying the duties of County Surveyors;

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. —, the bill was recommitted to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Green, of F., Boyd, Phillips, McCarty, Murray, Hughes and Wall, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Barrett, from the select committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to establish a House of Refuge, in St. Louis county;

Reported the same back with amendments and recommended its passage.

The amendments were read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Barrett, from the select committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act respecting vagrant and destitute children in the city of Saint Louis;

Reported the same back and recommended its rejection.

The report was agreed to.

Mr. Barrett, from the select committee, to whom was referred Senate bill entitled,

An act authorizing the erection of weighing scales on the Gravois road, in the county of St. Louis, reported by substitute of the following title, and recommended its passage.

An act to authorize certain individuals to establish weighing scales in St. Louis county;

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time,
Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Fant, from the select committee to whom was referred the petition of Otto Schwarz, reported a bill of the following title, and recommended its passage:

An act authorizing Otto Schwarz to convey lands;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Doniphan, of P., from the select committee, to whom was referred the memorial of H. Miles Moore, reported the same back and recommended that the prayer of the petitioners be not granted.

Also a resolution entitled,

Resolution in relation to H. Miles Moore and others, and recommended its adoption.

So much of the report as relates to the memorial of H. Miles Moore, was agreed to, and,

On motion of Mr. Field, the resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Burnes, from the select committee, to whom was referred the memorial of Oliver Diesendorf and F. Hawn, reported the same back and recommended the adoption of a resolution entitled,

Resolution in relation to H. Miles Moore and others.

On motion of Mr. Field, the memorial and resolution were laid on the table.

Mr. McLane, of Cape G., from the select committee, to whom was referred resolutions entitled,

Concurrent resolution requesting our Representatives in Congress to perform certain duties;

Reported the same back to the House and recommended its adoption.

On motion of Mr. Britton, the resolution and amendments were laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Fagg,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Reports from select committees being still in order,

Mr. Darnes moved a reconsideration of the vote laying on the table resolution entitled,

Concurrent resolution requesting our Representatives in Congress to perform certain duties;

Which was decided in the affirmative.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Burnes, from the select committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry citizens of Platte county to establish a Collector's office, and Assessor in each township in said county;

Reported the same back and recommended that the prayer of the petitioners be not granted.

The report was agreed to.

Mr. Burnes, from the select committee, to whom was referred the peti-

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An act to view, mark and locate a State road in Taney, Stone and Barry counties;

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Mr. Phillips moved to reject the report of the committee, which was decided in the negative.

The report was then agreed to.

Mr. Hughes, from the select committee, to whom was referred Senate bill entitled,

A bill to establish a State road in Clay and Clinton counties;

Reported the same back with an amendment and recommended its passage.

The amendment was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Green, of F., from the select committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act specifying the duties of County Surveyors;

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. —, the bill was recommitted to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Green, of F., Boyd, Phillips, McCarty, Murray, Hughes and Wall, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

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The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Barrett, from the select committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act respecting vagrant and destitute children in the city of Saint Louis;

Reported the same back and recommended its rejection.

The report was agreed to.

Mr. Barrett, from the select committee, to whom was referred Senate bill entitled,

An act authorizing the erection of weighing scales on the Gravois road, in the county of St. Louis, reported by substitute of the following title, and recommended its passage.

An act to authorize certain individuals to establish weighing scales in St. Louis county;

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An act authorizing Otto Schwarz to convey lands;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Doniphan, of P., from the select committee, to whom was referred the memorial of H. Miles Moore, reported the same back and recommended that the prayer of the petitioners be not granted.

Also a resolution entitled,

Resolution in relation to H. Miles Moore and others, and recommended its adoption.

So much of the report as relates to the memorial of H. Miles Moore, was agreed to, and,

On motion of Mr. Field, the resolution was laid on the table.

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On motion of Mr. Field, the memorial and resolution were laid on the table.

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Concurrent resolution requesting our Representatives in Congress to perform certain duties;

Reported the same back to the House and recommended its adoption.

On motion of Mr. Britton, the resolution and amendments were laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Fagg,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Reports from select committees being still in order,

Mr. Darnes moved a reconsideration of the vote laying on the table resolution entitled,

Concurrent resolution requesting our Representatives in Congress to perform certain duties;

Which was decided in the affirmative.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Burnes, from the select committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry citizens of Platte county to establish a Collector's office, and Assessor in each township in said county;

Reported the same back and recommended that the prayer of the petitioners be not granted.

The report was agreed to.

Mr. Burnes, from the select committee, to whom was referred the peti-

tion of citizens of Platte county, for the erection of a bridge across Platte river;

Reported the same back and recommended that the prayer of the petitioners be not granted.

The report was agreed to.

Mr. Hickox, from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of citizens of Moniteau county, reported a bill of the following title, and recommended its passage :

An act to authorize the county court of Moniteau county to rescind certain contracts made in relation to school lands with Abraham Hunter;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended; read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Shelton, from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of John Bone and wife, reported a bill of the following title, and recommended its passage :

An act for the benefit of Elizabeth Bone and her children;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Shelton, from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of citizens of Knox county, reported a bill of the following title and recommended its passage :

An act to declare a certain county road a State road ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Alexander, from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of J. B. Clardy and other citizens of Ste. Genevieve county, reported by resolution entitled,

Proposed amendment to the Constitution in relation to the counties of Ste. Genevieve and St. Francois;

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Britton, rejected by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Alexander :

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Botts, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. Louis, Burnet, Clark, Cravens, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Field, Goode, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jones, Kelly, Layton, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McClain, of St. Clair, McColloch, McFall, McMahan, Medley, Moore, Morrow, Mott, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Roberts, Shelton, Smith, of B., Todd, Tucker, White, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—69.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Brady, Buford, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Darby, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Howell, Jennings, King, McLane, of Cape G., McFarland, McSpadden, Minor, Monro, Mothersead, Parcells, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of Sullivan, Standiford, Wall and Whitaker—29.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Boyd, Britton, Bullock, Cunningham, Darnes, Gentry, Gilstrap, Lewis, of C., McCary, McCarty, McMurtry,

Morgan, Mosely, Patrick, Phillips, Rollins, Smith, of P., Turner and Webb.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Dodson, Farrar, Harris, Jackson, McAfee, Sitton and Smith, of St. L.

Sick—Messrs. Garth and Houghton.

Excused from voting—Mr. Bogy.

Mr. Alexander, from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of the inhabitants of Township 35, north, Range 7, east, reported a bill of the following title, and recommended its passage:

An act providing for a division of Township School Funds, belonging to Township 35 north, Range 7, east;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Alexander, from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of Charles B. Cunningham, reported a bill of the following title, and recommended its passage:

An act for the relief of Charles B. Cunningham;

Which was read a first time, and;

On motion of Mr. Jeffress, was rejected.

Mr. Alexander, from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of citizens of St. Francois and other counties, together with Senate bill, reported said bill of the following title, and recommended its rejection:

A bill for the relief of Marquis De Lafayette Thomasson.

Mr. McLane, of Cape G., moved to strike out Cape Girardeau;

Which was decided in the negative.

Mr. Bean offered the following amendment to the first section:

Provided further. That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to permit said Thomasson to deal in wines or liquors of any description, or in any quantities, whatever;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. McClain, of St. C., offered the following amendment, as an additional section:

That before he shall be entitled to the privileges of this act, he shall make and subscribe an affidavit, that he will in all things comply with the provisions of said act.

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Wall moved to strike out Stoddard county;

Which was decided in the negative.

The bill was then read a third time, when,

Mr. Holmes offered the following amendment, by way of rider:

Amend by striking out the counties named in the bill, and insert "in this State;"

Which was read a first time;

Mr. Murray moved to lay the bill and amendments on the table;

Mr. Minor moved a division of the question.

The question then being on laying the amendment on the table, it was decided in the affirmative.

The question then being on laying the bill on the table, it was decided in the negative.

The bill was then passed.

Mr. Morgan, from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of citizens of Bates county, reported a bill of the following title, and recommended its passage :

An act to authorize the county court of Bates county to order the sale of the sixteenth section ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Hughes, from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of the securities of Robert Greer, reported a bill of the following title, and recommended its passage,

An act for relief of the securities of Robert Greer, late Collector of Clinton county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Alexander, on leave, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, By the House of Representatives, that the Senate be requested to return to this House, "An act to amend an act, entitled, an act to incorporate the Ste. Genevieve, Iron Mountain and Pilot Knob Plank Road Company," approved February 7, 1851 ;

Which was rejected.

Mr. Harding, from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of citizens of Grundy county, reported a bill of the following title, and recommended its passage,

An act to allow Simpson Bergin to peddle without license ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Ritchey, from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of citizens of Newton county, reported a bill of the following title, and recommended its passage,

An act to incorporate the town of Neosho ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Goode, two hundred copies of the charter of the Bank of the State of Missouri, approved February 2d, 1837, with the amendments thereto, be printed for the use of the House.

Propositions and motions being in order,

Bills of the following titles were introduced and severally disposed of as follows :

Mr. Burnes, on leave, called up a bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the Weston Lodge, No. 53, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons.

The bill was then read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Chilton :

An act to authorize the county of Shannon to organize the common schools in said county by municipal townships ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed:

By Mr. Chilton:

An act to vacate a certain State road in Jackson county.

By Mr. Alexander:

An act to authorize the county courts of St. François and Ste. Genevieve counties to borrow the distributive share of the Internal Improvement Fund accruing to said counties, and for other purposes.

By the same:

An act to authorize the county court of Ste. Genevieve county to levy a special tax, and for other purposes.

By Mr. Baker:

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to regulate fees.

By Mr. Blakey:

An act attaching part of Cass to Bates county.

By the same:

An act authorizing Matthias Ray to sell forty acres of land belonging to his nephew, William H. Ray, a miner.

By Mr. Boyd:

A bill to change a State road.

By Mr. Brady:

An act explanatory of an act entitled, an act to authorize the formation of Railroad Associations, and to regulate the same.

By Mr. Baker:

An act for the incorporation of the town of Danville;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being suspended.

By Mr. Boyd:

An act incorporating the Daviess county Academy and Masonic Hall;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being suspended.

By Mr. Brady:

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to provide for the support, organization and government of common schools in the State of Missouri;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when Mr. Bean moved to refer the bill to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Gilstrap offered the following amendment to Mr. Bean's motion:

That rate bills may be made out by the trustees so as to raise the deficit to pay teachers' wages, where the public school moneys are insufficient to pay any teacher employed by them;

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Murray, was laid on the table.

The bill was then,

On motion of Mr. Bean, referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Frost,

The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 14TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that the President of the Senate has signed enrolled House bills of the following titles:

An act to view, mark and locate a State road in Taney, Stone and Barry counties;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Steelville Academy, approved February 3d, 1853;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Platte County Railroad Company, and to expedite the construction of said railroad;

An act to authorize Nathan and Philander Johnson to erect a dam across Big Torkio river.

An act for the relief of J. F. Littlejohn.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate:

An act for the improvement of North Grand river;

An act for the relief of Wm. Morgan, Collector of Cape Girardeau county;

An act to pay the Commissioner appointed to superintend the finishing of the Capitol;

An act supplementary to an act entitled, an act to regulate, govern and discipline the volunteer forces of Missouri;

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to establish judicial circuits and prescribe the time and place of holding courts, approved March 27th, 1845.

Bills of the following titles have passed the Senate:

A bill to incorporate the Franklin Insurance Company;

An act to incorporate the Jackson Seminary;

An act to incorporate the St. Louis Medical College;

An act to amend the charter of the Globe Mutual Insurance Company, of St. Louis;

An act to incorporate a ferry in Platte county;

An act to incorporate the Engineers' Union, Fire and Marine Insurance Company of St. Louis;

A bill to incorporate the Dime Savings' Institution, of the city of Saint Charles;

An act to establish a probate court in the county of Scott;

An act to incorporate the Boatmen's Insurance Company;

An act amendatory of the act to incorporate the Merchants' Mutual Insurance Company, approved February 24th, 1851;

An act to charter Des Peres Institute, in St. Louis county;

An act to establish a ferry across the Missouri river;

An act to authorize county courts to invest township school funds;

An act to incorporate the Missouri Wine Company;

An act to authorize Benjamin Potter and John Potter, administrators

of the estate of Thomas Potter, deceased, to collect certain taxes due in Greene county;

An act for the relief of G. M. Taylor and others;

An act concerning the clerk of the county courts of Crawford county;

An act directing in what manner and in what court the State may be sued;

An act regulating fees of county Clerks for making out aggregate abstracts;

A bill for the relief of G. W. Kelly;

An act for the relief of Henry C. Wellman and Wm. O. Young;

An act to establish a ferry across the Mississippi river at a point in Marion county, opposite the city of Quincy, Illinois;

An act to incorporate the Commercial Insurance Company, of the city of St. Louis;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Mechanics' Savings' Institution, of St. Louis, approved February 24th, 1853;

An act to procure the portrait of Thomas Jefferson, author of the Declaration of Independence;

An act to pay petit jurors in Shelby county;

An act to ordain and establish a county court District;

An act to incorporate the town of Union, in Franklin county, Missouri;

A bill to authorize James Owen, of Dade county, to peddle without a license;

An act for the relief of Frederick Bolte.

House bills of the following titles have passed the Senate:

An act to pay petit jurors in DeKalb county;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act concerning grand and petit jurors in Cooper county;

An act to pay grand and petit jurors in Scott county;

An act to pay petit jurors in the county of Bollinger;

An act for the benefit of the heirs of Jacob Fisher, deceased, late of Saline county;

An act to suspend the distribution of the revenue school money.

Mr. Parcells moved to reconsider the vote taken on House bill entitled, An act to organize the county of Maries.

Mr. Isbell moved to lay the motion of Mr. Parcells on the table;

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Parcells:

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Bullock, Clark, Davis, Donelan, Fagg, Fant, Green, of F., Guitar, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lighner, McLane, of Cape G., McFall, Morrow, Mott, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Rollins, Sitton and Standiford—31.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Bogy, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Bufford, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cunningham, Darby, Darnall, Doniphan, of Clay, Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Dorriess, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Frost, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of Lewis, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Hill, Holmes, Howell,

Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, McCary, McCarty, McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFarland, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Minor, Moore, Monro, Morgan, Moseley, Neill, Nevill, Parcells, Patrick, Phillips, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of S., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—80.

Absent—Messrs. Brown, of St. L., Heryford, Hickox, Hughes, Medley, Murray and Smith, of P.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Dodson, Farrar, Harris, McAfee and Smith, of St. Louis.

Sick—Messrs. Burnet, Garth and Houghton.

Excused from voting—Messrs. Cravens and Motherhead.

The question then being on reconsidering the vote, it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Parcells,

Resolved, That the Senate be requested to return to this House, the bill to organize the county of Maries :

Propositions and motions being still in order :

Bills of the following titles were introduced and severally read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed :

By Mr. Brown, of N. :

An act to legalize a State road.

By Mr. Clippard :

An act amendatory of an act to authorize the formation of associations to construct plank roads and McAdamized roads, approved February 27, 1851 ;

By Mr. Clark :

An act for the relief of S. P. Williams, of Johnson county.

By Mr. Crosswhite :

An act concerning recording in Lewis county.

By the same :

An act respecting the Independence and Missouri river Railroad Company, in Jackson county.

By Mr. Cravens :

An act declaring certain acts of the county court of Jasper county valid, and repealing an act establishing a probate court in said county.

By Mr. Cunningham :

An act for the benefit of Joseph B. Smith, Collector of Buchanan county, Missouri.

By the same :

An act to incorporate the St. Joseph Ice Company ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

By Mr. Clippard :

An act to pay grand and petit jurors in the county of Cape Girardeau ;
Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

Mr. McLane of Cape G., offered a substitute of the following title:
An act to regulate and pay grand and petit jurors in the county of Cape Girardeau;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when, On motion of Mr. Clippard, the bill, together with the substitute, were referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. C. P. and, McLane, of Cape G., Jeffress, Darnes, Field and Layton.

By Mr. Clark:

An act relating to agents and factors;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Brown, of S. L., Todd and Neill, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

By Mr. Craven:

An act to extend the jurisdiction of justices of the peace and constables;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when, Mr. Frost offered a substitute of the following title:

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to establish justices' courts, and regulate proceedings therein;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, and read a second time.

The bill, together with the substitute, were referred to the Committee on Justices of the Peace, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Governor:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
City of Jefferson, Mo., February 13th, 1855. }

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives:

GENTLEMEN: I have this day approved and signed bills of the following titles:

An act for the relief of William O. Edwards, Thomas F. Edwards, William P. Doss, Jos. Moreau and Frederick Hartman, securities of Francis J. Moreau, late Sheriff of Ste. Genevieve county;

An act for the relief of William C. Varner, late Sheriff of Ste. Genevieve county;

An act to regulate and pay grand and petit jurors in Stoddard county;

An act to incorporate the Dunklin and Pemiscot Plank Road Company;

An act to establish a State road from Milan; in Sullivan county, to Harmony, in Putnam county;

An act to authorize the Register of Lands to receive the delinquent lists of lands of the late Collector of Moniteau county, for the year 1853;

An act to establish a Probate and Common Pleas Court in Jackson county;

An act to entitle the county of McDonald to a Representative;

An act to amend an act concerning grand and petit jurors in Cooper county;

An act in relation to grand and petit jurors in Oregon county;

An act to amend an act entitled, "An act to establish a land court, in St. Louis county and for other purposes," approved February 23d, 1853;

An act for the relief of M. F. Crouch, late Collector of Newton co.;

An act granting to the New York Law Institute, located in the city of New York, the Statutes and Public Acts of this State;

An act for a State road from Warrensburg to the Cave Spring, on the boundary line of Cass county;

An act to amend an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Louisiana and Middletown Plank or McAdamized Road Company,"

A bill to change the name of Mrs. Mary Hoyt;

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to provide for the election of County Treasurers, approved February 24th, 1858;

An act to change the name of Rocksean and Nancy A. Popejoy to that of Rocksean Wilson and Nancy A. Wilson;

An act to authorize the several courts of this State to change the names of women;

An act to pay road overseers in Laclede county;

An act to authorize the county court of Pemiscot county to borrow money;

An act to establish a ferry at Point Pleasant, Missouri;

An act amendatory of an act to establish a probate court in Daviess county;

An act to establish a State road in the counties of Jefferson, Franklin and Washington;

Joint resolutions in relation Wayne county;

An act to legalize the acts of G. S. Duckworth, justice of the peace, of Dent county.

An act without title, to authorize Jesse R. Allen to maintain a dam across the Little Torkio river.

An act to reenact an act entitled, an act to establish a probate court in Pike county, approved March 6th, 1849; which applies to the county of Crawford;

An act in relation to county warrants in the county Ripley;

An act to incorporate the Industrial School and Temporary Home for destitute children;

An act to change a portion of a State road leading from Kirksville, in Adair county, to Milan, in Sullivan county;

An act to pay road overseers;

An act to vacate a State road in the county of Dade;

Proposed amendment to the Constitution in relation to Schnyler county;

An act to give certain powers to the Louisiana and Frankford Plank Road Company, in the county of Pike;

A bill for the relief of William C. Remington, of Platte county;

An act to authorize the county court of Ralls county to borrow money to pay the indebtedness incurred in constructing plank roads;

An act to authorize the Sheriff of Benton county to sell a sixteenth section;

An act to repeal an act entitled, "An act to authorize the county court of Madison county to use certain papers," approved January 14, 1845;

An act to change the time of holding circuit courts in the county of Knox;

An act to authorize an administration of the estate of Thomas Maupin, deceased, in Gasconade county;

An act to incorporate the Chillicothe, Trenton and Princeton Graded Road Company;

An act to incorporate the St. Louis German Ladies' Benevolent Society ;

An act to amend an act entitled, "An act for the relief of Henry Coffey's heirs ;"

An act for the benefit of W. H. Spratt, Collector of Platte county, Missouri ;

An act to repeal an act entitled, an act for opening and repairing roads and highways in Andrew county, approved February 24th, 1853 ;

An act to vacate alleys in Kirksville, in Adair county ;

I am gentlemen,

Very respectfully,

STERLING PRICE.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

City of Jefferson, Mo., February 14, 1855. }

To the Honorable the House of Representatives :

GENTLEMEN : I have this day approved and signed a bill of the following title :

An act for the improvement of the navigation of the Osage river.

Very respectfully,

STERLING PRICE.

By Mr. Darby :

An act to amend the fifth section of the second article of an act entitled, an act to provide for the organization, support and government of common schools in the State of Missouri ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Darby offered the following resolution :

Resolved, by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the two Houses of the General Assembly will go into joint session on Thursday, the fifteenth of February inst., at 10 o'clock, A. M., for the election of a Public Printer ;

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. Brown, of St. L., moved its rejection ;

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Frost :

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bradford, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fagg, Fast, Feagan, Field, Gantry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Hardeman, Hardin, Howell, Hughes, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Sittob, Smith, of B., Standiford, Todd, Turner, Williams, of H., and Mr. Speaker—49.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Bohannon, Betts, Boyd, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Frost, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Harding, Heryford, Hickox,

Hill, Holmes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McFarland, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monro, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Nevill, Parcels, Patrick, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of S., Tucker, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of D., Wyatt and Yeats—66.

Absent—Messrs. Brady, Clippard, Doniphan, of C., McCary, Rollins and Smith, of P.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Frost moved to suspend the rules to permit the resolution to be read a second time now;

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Blair:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darby, Darnes, Doniphan, of C., Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Harding, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Lewis, of St. L., McFarland, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monro, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Nevill, Parcels, Patrick, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of S., Todd, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of D., Wyatt and Yeats—64.

NOES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Clark, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Donelan, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Green, of Franklin, Guitar, Harrison, Hardeman, Hughes, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, McMurtry, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Sitton, Smith, of B., Standiford, Williams, of H., and Mr. Speaker—54.

Absent—Messrs. Howell, Rollins and Smith, of P.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

By Mr. Darnes:

An act for the benefit of Sarah Manuel, of Cape Girardeau county; Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same:

An act in relation to swamp lands in the counties of New Madrid, Pemiscot, Mississippi, Cape Girardeau, Stoddard, Wayne, Ripley, Butler and Dunklin;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when, Mr. Holmes offered the following amendment:
 Amend section eighteen by striking out "one dollar," and insert, "seventy-five cents."

The amendment was read a first time, and,
 On motion of Mr. Moore, was laid on the table.
 The bill was then read a third time and passed.
 On motion of Mr. Botts,
 The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Sitton, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles:

An act to pay grand and petit jurors in the county of Scott;
 An act to amend an act entitled, an act concerning grand and petit jurors in Cooper county;
 An act to regulate the funds accruing from fines in the county of Dade;
 An act for the benefit of Jacob B. Fisher, deceased, late of Saline county;
 An act to pay petit jurors in De Kalb county;
 An act to suspend the distribution of the revenue school moneys;
 An act to pay petit jurors of Bollinger county.
 Propositions and motions being still in order,
 Bills of the following titles were introduced and severally disposed of as follows:

By Mr. Everett:

A bill to establish a State road from Plattsburg to Atchison;
 Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Everett, Hughes, Doniphan, of C., and Cunningham.

By Mr. Donelan:

An act to amend an act entitled, an act concerning forcible entries and detainer, approved March 27th, 1845;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Doniphan, of P.:

An act to incorporate the Mississippi Valley Joint Stock Insurance Company, of St. Louis, Missouri;

Which were read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Doniphan, of P., Goode and Patrick.

By Mr. Doniphan of C.:

A bill to incorporate the Clay county Agricultural and Mechanical Association;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

By Mr. Everett:

An act to incorporate the St. Joseph Hotel Company ;
Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

By Mr. Davis :

An act concerning the Glasgow Insurance Company ;
Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Bills of the following titles were introduced and severally read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed :

By Mr. Dyer :

An act to authorize Helena Müller, of St. Charles county to sell certain real estate ;

By the same :

An act to authorize the sale of certain real estate in Warren county, for partition.

By Mr. Donelan :

An act authorizing a free boy of color to remain in this State until he arrives at the age of twenty-one.

By Mr. Dorris :

An act in relation to selling liquor in the county of Platte.

By Mr. Drake :

An act to mark and open a State road in Monroe county.

By the same :

An act respecting county courts of St. Louis county and the publication of official proceedings in said county :

By Mr. Doniphan, of P.,

An act to quiet titles in the city of Weston.

By Mr. Doniphan, of C. :

A bill to establish a State road from Orleans ferry to the Iowa line.

By Mr. Davis :

An act authorizing the executor or administrator of James Ferguson, to sell certain lands.

By Mr. Frost :

An act to establish a State road from the mouth of Linn to Houston.

By Mr. Field :

An act for the relief of certain school districts in Lafayette county.

By Mr. Feagan :

An act concerning evidence.

By Mr. Fant :

A bill to change the name of Eliza Jane Gunby.

By Mr. Fagg :

An act regulating the practice of issuing process in justices courts in the city of St. Louis.

By Mr. Ewing :

An act to authorize the sale of real estate.

By the same :

An act to authorize the sale of real estate.

By Mr. Goode :

A bill for the relief of David Mitchell.

By Mr. Field :

An act to incorporate the Lafayette County Mutual Insurance Company; Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

By Mr. Feagan :

An act to incorporate the Pleasant Retreat Female Seminary, in the city of Buonville;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

By Mr. Fant :

A bill to incorporate the Morrison House Company, in the city of St. Charles;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

By Mr. Gilstrap :

An act to declare certain parts of the public square in Bloomington, Macon county, added to the alleys as a public highway;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Frost :

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to license and tax peddlers, approved 5th March, 1845;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and, On motion of Mr. Murray, was rejected.

By Mr. Fagg :

An act to authorize foreign executors, administrators and guardians to bring suits in the courts of this State;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

By Mr. Gentry :

An act to amend Chapter 180, Revised Statutes entitled, trespass;

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. King moved the rejection of the bill;

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Cravens :

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Bradford, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Doniphan, of C., Drake, Everett, Fant, Frost, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harding, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, McFarland, McVahan, M. Spadden, Minor, Moore, Monro, Morgan, Morrow, Moreley, Mothersead, Murray, Nevill, Phillips, Pratt, Ritchey, Roberts, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of Sullivan, Standiford, Turner, Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—74.

NOES—Messrs. Blair, Boyd, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of Saint

Louis, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Ewing, Fagg, Feagan, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Guitar, Harrison, Hardeman, Hardin, Hughes, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McMurtry, Medley, Mott, Neill, Parcels, Patrick, Reid, Shambaugh, Smith, of Pettis, Todd, Tucker, Wall, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—86.

Absent—Messrs. Brady, Cunningham, Darnes, Dorriss, Dyer, McCary, Powers and Rollins.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Excused from voting—Mr. Barrett.

On motion of Mr. Gentry,

Resolved, That the House will proceed to ballot for two revisors of the laws, on the 17th day of this month, at 3 o'clock, P. M.

By Mr. Gilstrap:

Proposed amendment to the Constitution;

Which was read a first time, when,

On motion of Mr. Jones, the amendment was rejected.

By Mr. Dorriss:

Concurrent resolution in relation to electing Public Printer;

Which was read a first time.

By Mr. Goode:

Joint resolutions in reference to instructing our Representatives in Congress;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, and two hundred copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Brown, of St. L., on leave presented a memorial in relation to town of Carondelet;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of the members from the county of St. Louis.

Mr. Kelly, that the use of the Hall be granted to the Rev. Mr. Boyle, this evening;

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Britton:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Botts, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Chilton, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Drake, Dorriss, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Field, Frost, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Morrow, Mothersead, Neill, Nevill, Phillips, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shelton, Smith, of Bollinger, Smith, of S., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Whitaker, White, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—86.

NOES—Messrs. Bohannon, Britton, Burnes, Doniphan, of Platte, Dyer, Everett, Gentry, Hardin, Hickox, Hughes, McFarland, Morgan, Moseley, Mott, Murray, Purcells, Patrick, Shambaugh, Williams, of D., and Williams, of H.—20.

Absent—Messrs. Buford, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Ewing, Green, of L., Hardeman, Jackson, McClain, of St. Clair, Mouro, Powers, Rollins, Sitton, Smith, of P., and Webb.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

On motion of Mr. Wall,
The House adjourned.

TUESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 15TH, 1865.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holiday, Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that a bill of the following title has been introduced into the Senate:

An act to amend and re-charter the Bank of the State of Missouri;
House bill of the following title has passed the Senate:

An act incorporating the Saint Louis Young Men's Christian Association.

Senate bills of the following titles have passed the Senate:

A bill to encourage Agriculture;

An act to regulate, govern and discipline the volunteer forces of the State of Missouri;

An act to expedite the construction of the Cairo and Fulton Railroad of Missouri;

A bill to increase the salaries of Judges.

Propositions and motions being still in order.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Green, of F.:

An act concerning ferries in Franklin and Jefferson counties.

By the same:

An act to provide for the election of County Treasurer and Public Administrator of Franklin county, and to increase the pay of County Judges in Franklin county.

By Mr. Garth:

An act to abolish a part of a State road leading from Huntsville, in Randolph county, to Glasgow, in Howard county.

By the same:

An act concerning the sale of real estate in Randolph county.

By Mr. Bean:

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to change a State road in Boone county.

By Mr. Graves:

An act declaring William Heryford, Jr, of age.

By Mr. Green, of L.:

An act for the relief of Thomas Lane.

By Mr. Guitar:

An act to extend the corporate limits of the town of Columbia.

By the same:

An act concerning costs in the case of the State vs. Grant:

By Mr. Harrison:

An act declaring the punishment of slaves, free negroes and mulattos;

By Mr. Hardeman:

An act to declare John E. Bull, a minor, of full age.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

By Mr. Garth:

An act to incorporate Mount Pleasant College, at Huntsville, in Randolph county.

By Mr. Graves:

An act to incorporate the Howard County Agricultural and Mechanical Society.

By Mr. Harrison:

An act to incorporate the Boonville Library Reading Room and Thespian Association.

By Mr. Harding:

An act to incorporate the town of Gallatin.

By the same:

An act to incorporate the Eagle Temperance Union, No. 11.

By Mr. Hardeman:

An act to incorporate the St. Louis Bagging and Rope Company.

Bills of the following titles, were severally introduced, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Green, of L.:

An act to establish a court of common pleas, in the town of Canton.

By Mr. Bean:

An act respecting the mode of petitioning the Legislature in certain cases.

Mr. Hardin, on leave, called up bill entitled;

An act appropriating money for the support and enlargement of the State Lunatic Asylum.

Mr. Bean offered the following amendment:

Amend by striking out "sixty thousand" where it occurs in the first section and insert "forty-five ;"

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. McClain, of St. Clair, offered the following amendment to the amendment :

Strike out "forty-five thousand" and insert "thirty-five ;"

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Wall moved the rejection of the amendments, pending which,

On motion of Mr. Fagg,

The House then adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The question pending when the House adjourned this morning, being the rejection of the amendments of Messrs. Bean and McClain, of St. C., to bill entitled,

An act appropriating money for the support and enlargement of the State Lunatic Asylum.

Mr. Ritchey called for a division of the question.

The question then being on the rejection of the amendment to the amendment, it was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Phillips :

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Baker, Bean, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Burnes, Clark, Davis, Doniphan, of Clay, Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Dorriss, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Field, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., McCarty, McFarland, McMahan, McMurtry, Minor, Moore, Monro, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Mothershead, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Rollins, Sitton, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, White, Williams of Daviess, Williams, of Henry, Yates and Mr. Speaker—67.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Botts, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Croswite, Darby, Darnes, Graves, Green, of L., Harding, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Jackson, Jennings, Jones, Lewis, of St. Louis, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, Medley, Phillips, Powers, Roberts, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of S., Standiford, Webb, Whitaker and Wyatt—34.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Blakey, Boyd, Brady, Brown, of St. Louis, Bullock, Chilton, Clippard, Cravens, Cunningham, Donelan, Frost, Gilstrap, Howell, Lightner, McSpadden, Murray, Nevill, Parcells, Shambaugh and Smith, of P.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Dodson, Farrar, Harris, McAfee and Smith, of St. Louis.

Sick—Messrs. Burnet, and Houghton.

Mr. Minor offered the following as a substitute for the amendment :

Amend first section of the bill by striking out " sixty thousand dollars," and insert " fifty thousand dollars ;"

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when, Mr. Bean withdrew his amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to the amendment of Mr. Minor, it was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Minor :

AYES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Chilton, Crosswhite, Darby, Darnes, Donelan, Drake, Dorriss, Everett, Ewing, Faut, Feagan, Frost, Genry, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Guitar, Harding, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jones, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Morgan, Mothershead, Nevill, Powers, Parcels, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shelton, Smith, of Bollinger, Smith, of S., Standiford, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of D., Williams, of Henry, and Yeats—70.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Blakey, Bogy, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Burnes, Clark, Davis, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Dyer, Fagg, Field, Garth, Green, of F., Hardeman, Hardin, Hughes, Kelly, McFarland, McCarty, Monro, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Rollins, Sitton, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wyatt and Ms. Speaker—37.

Absent—Messrs. Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Clippard, Cravens, Cunningham, Harrison, Howell, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., McCary, McMurtry, Phillips, Shambaugh and Smith, of P.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Bean offered the following amendment :

Strike out all of the third section before the words " the contracts, &c.," in the eighth line, and insert the following :

The further sum of \$10,000 is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury of the State, and not otherwise appropriated, to the use of said Lunatic Asylum, to be expended and appropriated by the managers of said Asylum, in finishing and furnishing the pavilion and wing now in progress, and for such other improvements as the Board of Managers may deem most advantageous to the interests of the Asylum ;

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Murray moved to lay the amendment on the table,

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Bean :

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Blakey, Bogy, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Burnes, Clark, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Dyer, Everett, Field, Guitar, Hardeman, Hardin, Hughes, Kelly, Lewis, of C., McFar-

land, Morrow, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Rollins, Sitton, Smith, of Pettis, Todd, Tucker, Turner and Mr. Speaker—33.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Blair, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Chilton, Crosswhite, Darby, Darnes, Doniphan, of C., Drake, Dorris, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harrison, Harding, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Layton, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McCulloch, McFall, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monroe, Moseley, Mott, Nevill, Parcells, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of S., Standiford, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Wyatt and Yates—75.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Clippard, Cravens, Cunningham, Howell, King, McMurtry, Morgan, Mothersead, Shambaugh, Williams, of D., and Williams, of H.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Todd offered the following amendment, to the amendment:
Strike out “\$10,000,” and insert “\$20,000;”

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Smith, of S., moved to lay the amendment, to the amendment on the table;

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Smith, of S.:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Baker, Bean, Blair, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Donelan, Dorris, Everett, Fant, Fagg, Feagan, Frost, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Harrison, Harding, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Layton, Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McFall, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Moore, Morgan, Mothersead, Parcells, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of S., Standiford, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of D., Williams, of Henry, and Wyatt—70.

NOES—Messrs. Blakey, Bogy, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Burnes, Clark, Davis, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dyer, Ewing, Field, Garth, Green, of F., Guitar, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Hughes, Isbell, Kelly, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McCarty, McCulloch, McFarland, Minor, Monroe, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Rollins, Sitton, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—45.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Brown, of St. Louis, Bullock, Clippard, Cunningham, King and McMurtry.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Field offered the following amendment, to the amendment:

Amend the amendment by striking out "ten thousand," and inserting "fifteen thousand;"

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Medley, was laid on the table.

The amendment of Mr. Bean, was then read a second time and agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Goode, from the Committee on Banks, reported a bill of the following title, and recommended its passage:

An act to renew, amend and extend the charter of the Bank of the State of Missouri, established in virtue of an act of the General Assembly, approved 2d February, 1837;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, ordered to be engrossed, two hundred and fifty copies of the bill, together with the report of the Committee were ordered to be printed, and made the special order of the day for Monday next.

Mr. Hardin, on leave, called up House bill entitled,

An act for the enlargement of the Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb.

Mr. Guitar offered the following amendment:

Amend by additional sections.

§ 6. For the purpose of endowing in the University of the State of Missouri, a permanent Professorship, to be devoted to the teaching of agricultural science, to be called the Agricultural Professorship, the sum of twenty thousand dollars is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury, not otherwise appropriated; *Provided*, that no part of the sum above named, shall be drawn before the first day of November, 1856.

§ 7. Said fund shall be invested in the same manner as the permanent Seminary fund, and at any time after the period fixed in the preceding section for the drawing of said fund, the Commissioners of the Seminary fund shall, upon a resolution of the Board of Curators, direct in what manner the same shall be invested, and thereupon the Auditor shall, without delay, draw his warrant on the Treasurer and make said investment, as is now required by law in relation to the Seminary fund.

§ 8. Said fund shall be set apart, and shall be styled: "Fund for the promotion of Agriculture." and the interest and profits accruing from the same, shall be exclusively applied to paying all the expenses necessary and incident to the support of the Professorship aforesaid.

§ 9. The fund set apart in this act, for the support of said Professorship shall be held in the same manner and in trust by the State, as the Seminary fund is now held, and the dividends shall be drawn as dividends are now drawn upon the Seminary fund;

Which was read first time.

Mr. Reid moved to lay the amendment on the table;

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Reid:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Blakey, Botts, Brady, Bradford, Britton, Brown, of N., Buford, Burnes, Chilton, Crosswhite, Darby, Darnes, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Field, Frost, Garth, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Harrison, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Hughes, Jackson, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, McCary, McClain, of St. Clair, McFall, McFarland, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monroe, Morgan, Moseley, Mothersead, Nevill, Parcels, Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of B., Smith, of S., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., and Speaker—75.

NOES—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blair, Bogy, Boyd, Breckinridge, Clark, Davis, Drake, Fant, Feagan, Gentry, Green, of F., Guitar, Harding, Hardeman, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, Morrow, Mott, Murray, Neill, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of P., Wyatt and Yeats—37.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Bohannon, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Clippard, Cunningham, Ewing and Fagg.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Minor offered the following amendment to the first section of the bill:

Strike out the sum of "twenty-eight thousand eight hundred dollars," and insert the sum of "sixteen thousand dollars;"

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Hardin moved to reject the amendment;

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Jeffress:

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Blakey, Bogy, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Buford, Burnes, Clark, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Dorris, Ewing, Guitar, Harrison, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Howell, Hughes, Kelly, Lewis, of C., McFarland, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Rollins, Sitton, Turner, Yates and Mr. Speaker—38.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Blair, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brown, of N., Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Drake, Dyer, Everett, Fant, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harding, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monroe, Morgan, Mothersead, Nevill, Parcels, Phillips, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of Sullivan, Todd, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, Williams, of D., Williams, of Henry and Wyatt—70.

Absent—Messrs. Brown, of St. Louis, Bullock, Cunningham, Goode, Lewis, of St. L., Powers, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Tucker and White.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

The amendment was then read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Minor offered the following amendment:

Amend third section of the bill by striking out all after the word, "erecting," in the third line, same section, and insert as follows:

"And in building an additional wing to said Asylum, and furnishing the same, and for the improvement of the grounds belonging to said Asylum;"

Which were read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Acock offered the following amendment:

Add to the end of the fourth section as follows:

Provided, No person except the indigent poor shall be admitted as a beneficiary of the Institution at the expense of the State;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Acock offered the following amendment as an additional section:

The Commissioners and Superintendent shall make a detailed report during the first week of the next Legislature, stating specifically how and to what objects the sums herein appropriated was expended; how much for building; what amount for pay of Superintendent and teachers, and all other expenditures; and no building shall be commenced by virtue of this act unless the same can be finished with the sum hereby appropriated, after paying necessary expenses of the Institution;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Jeffries offered the following amendment:

Strike out \$28,000, in third section, and insert \$16,000;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Governor:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
City of Jefferson, Mo., February 15th, 1855. }

To the Hon., the House of Representatives:

GENTLEMEN: I have this day approved and signed bills of the following titles:

An act for the relief of J. N. Littlejohn;

An act to authorize Nathan and Philander Johnson to erect a dam across Big Torkio;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Steelville Academy, approved March 2d, 1853;

An act to view, mark and locate a State road in Taney, Stone and Barry counties.

I am, gentlemen,

Very respectfully,

STERLING PRICE.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Stevenson, a Senator:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House, that a bill of the following title has been introduced in the Senate and passed:

A bill to authorize the county court of Laclede county to sell wet or swamp lands.

Mr. Sitton, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, a bill of the following title:

An act to incorporate the St. Louis Young Men's Christian Association.

On motion of Mr. Webb,

The House adjourned until 7 o'clock this evening.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Propositions and motions being still in order:

Bills of the following titles were introduced and severally disposed of as follows:

By Mr. Heryford:

An act authorizing the county court of Chariton county to construct toll bridges

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same:

An act in relation to attachments;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Hickox:

A bill to amend an act entitled, an act to fix the times of holding courts in the Twelfth Judicial Circuit;

Which was read first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same:

An act to restrict dram shops, and to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

By Mr. Hill:

An act increasing the compensation of the Assessor of Platte county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By the same:

An act to incorporate the First Presbyterian Church of the city of Louisiana, in the State of Missouri;

Which was read a first time, and,
On motion of Mr. Davis, was rejected.

By Mr. Holmes:

An act to authorize the county court of Wayne county to use the Road and Canal and Internal Improvement funds;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same:

An act to amend the several acts to establish Judicial Circuits, and prescribe the time and place of holding courts in the Tenth Judicial Circuit;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when, Mr. Smith, of B., offered the following amendment to the sixth section: After the word "act," in the eighth line, add,

Provided, That the first term of the circuit court to be held in Bollinger county under this act, shall be on the second Monday in September, A. D., 1855;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and,
On motion of Mr. Brown, of J.,

The bill, together with the amendment, were referred to a select committee, consisting of the members of the Ninth and Tenth Judicial Circuits.

By Mr. Williams, of D.:

An act providing for the election of County Treasurer, County School Commissioner and Public Administrator, in the counties of Daviess, Carroll, Ray, Caldwell, Clinton and De Kalb;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when, Mr. Doniphan, of P., offered the following amendment, as an additional section:

All the above act relating to Public Administrator, shall be, and is hereby made to apply to Platte county;

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Shambaugh moved to lay the amendment on the table,

Which was decided in the negative.

The amendment was then read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Munro offered the following amendment as an additional section:

This act shall apply to the county of Livingston;

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. Shambaugh moved to lay the amendment on the table;

Which was decided in the negative.

The amendment was then read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time, when,

Mr. Shambaugh moved the previous question:

The call for the previous question was sustained, and the bill passed.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed:

By Mr. Jennings:

An act confirming the organization of Stone county.

By the same:

An act relating to the Collector of dram-shop licenses in the county of St. Louis.

By Mr. Jones :

An act to authorize Henry Teague to sell certain land,

By the same :

An act to pay petit jurors in the counties of Dallas and Dade.

By Mr. Lightner :

An act to provide for the reduction of the city debt of the city of St. Louis.

By Mr. Lewis, of C. :

An act to establish a State road from the town of Lura, in Clark county, to the Iowa line, in Scotland county.

By Mr. Jeffress :

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act respecting executors and administrators, approved March 26th, 1845 ;

By Mr. Kelly :

An act to establish a State road in the county of Atchison.

By Mr. Hughes :

An act to authorize the county court of Clinton county to apportion certain school moneys :

By Mr. Howell :

An act to amend an act entitled, an act concerning the school moneys belonging to the county of Oregon.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

By Mr. Jeffress :

An act to incorporate the Central High School.

By Mr. Hughes :

An act to incorporate Plattsburg Lodge, No. 113, Free and Accepted Masons.

Bills of the following titles were introduced and severally disposed of, as follows :

By Mr. Layton :

An act to amend an act entitled, an act incorporating the American Iron Mountain Company, approved January 24th, 1843 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Lightner :

An act to amend the city charter of the city of St. Louis ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, and read a second time.

By Mr. Lewis, of St. L. :

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to regulate fees ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By the same :

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to establish justices' courts and to regulate proceedings therein ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Justices of the Peace.

By Mr. Layton :

An act to repeal the seventh section of an act entitled, an act to establish and regulate County Treasuries, approved March 27th, 1845 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, and read a second time.

By Mr. Howell :

An act in relation to the assessment and collection of the taxes in Oregon county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Lewis, of C. :

A memorial of the following title,

Memorial relating to the Mississippi Valley Railroad North ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Green, of L.,

The House adjourned.

FRIDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 16TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Boyle.

M Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER : I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that bills of the following titles have passed the Senate :

A bill to incorporate Florence Lodge, No. 1, of the Society of Workers ;

An act to incorporate the North Grand River Railroad Company.

The Senate has amended and passed, as amended, House bill entitled,

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad Company ;

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate :

A bill to restrict dram-shops, and to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

An act to extend the limits of the city of Joseph ;

An act about the Jailor in St. Louis county ;

An act requiring the registry of the names of the voters of the city of St. Louis ;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act respecting the Assessor of St. Louis county ;

An act regulating the mode of taking private property for public use by the city of St. Louis ;

An act to incorporate the St. Louis Union Railroad Company ;

An act in regard to the establishment and improvements of roads in St. Louis county ;

A bill to amend an act to regulate groceries and dram-shops ;

- An act to amend an act entitled, an act respecting executors and administrators, approved March 26th, 1845;
- An act in relation to the Marshal of the Supreme Court;
- An act to incorporate the Allen Iron Company;
- An act for the relief of M. F. Crouch, late Sheriff of Newton county;
- An act to establish a court of common pleas, in the town of Washington;
- An act to sell property;
- An act amendatory to an act, approved March 27th, 1845, regulating the fees of clerks in the county courts in probate business.
- An act to sell property;
- An act concerning the Public Administrator of Saline county;
- An act to regulate the rate of tolls at the mills of P. Skinner & Co., in Platte county;
- An act concerning roads on banks of rivers;
- An act for the relief of Jubal Hunt;
- An act concerning roads in St. Louis county;
- An act to amend an act to provide for the organization, support and government of common schools;
- An act to authorize county courts to alter or abolish State roads under certain circumstances;
- An act for the benefit of Masonic College;
- An act relating to the pay of grand and petit jurors and witnesses in the county of St. Louis;
- An act entitled, an act to reduce the law incorporating the city of St. Louis, and the several acts amendatory thereof into one act, and to amend the same;
- An act to authorize the county court of St. Louis county to purchase certain roads in St. Louis county, and for other purposes;
- An act to incorporate the Randolph county Mutual Fire Insurance Company;
- The President has signed enrolled House bills entitled,
- An act to suspend the distribution of the revenue school moneys;
- An act to pay petit jurors in DeKalb county;
- An act to regulate all funds accruing from fines in the county of Dade;
- An act to pay petit jurors in the county of Bollinger;
- An act for the benefit of the heirs of Jacob F. Fisher, deceased, late of Saline county;
- An act to amend an act entitled, an act concerning grand and petit jurors in the county of Cooper;
- An act to repeal an act entitled, an act to pay jurors in the county of Cape Girardeau, Scott and Stoddard, approved February 25th, 1851;
- Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed:
- An act to change a certain school district in the county of Knox;
- An act to change a portion of a State road leading from Tippecanoe, in Schuyler county, by way of Memphis, to Alexandria, in Clark county;
- An act to incorporate the Union Locomotive and Mechanics' Shop Company;
- An act repealing a portion of an act entitled, an act in relation to appeals and writs of error from certain judicial circuits in the State of Missouri, approved March 12th, 1849;

- An act to correct an error in Register's deed ;
- An act for the relief of Cedar county ;
- An act concerning the school lands in township No. 58, range 6, West;
- An act to incorporate the town of Mexico in Audrain county ;
- An act to incorporate the Richmond Female Collgee ;
- An act to authorize the appropriation of certain funds to building
- a Seminary of learning in the town of Frémont ;
- An act to change a portion of a State road in Dade and Lawrence counties ;
- A bill for the relief of William Morgan, Collector of Cape Girardeau county ;
- An act to incorporate the stockholders of Carroll Academy ;
- An act to incorporate Howard Lodge No. 4, of Free and Accepted Masons ;
- An act to establish a State road from Warrensburg to Richard Berry's, on the boundary line of Cass county ;
- An act to incorporate the Boonslick Hotel Company, of the town of Columbia ;
- An act to incorporate the Lexington and Utica Railroad ;
- An act to charter a Ferry Company ;
- An act to amend an act establishing a State road from Lexington, in Lafayette county, to the line of Johnson county ;
- An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Glasgow and Huntsville Plank Road Company, approved February 15th, 1851 ;
- An act to incorporate the Berlin Rope and Bagging Manufacturing Company ;
- An act to change the name of D. K. Campbell to G. A. McFadden ;
- An act to change the name of J. W. Sheckels to J. W. Patterson ;
- An act to relieve James F. Scrugs, of Bates of county, Missouri ;
- An act to change the location of a part of the State road leading from Boonville to Lexington ,
- An act for paying jurors in the county of Cole ;
- A bill to establish a State road from Weston to Atchison ;
- An act in reference to railroad stock and tax certificates, held by executors and administrators ;
- A bill for the relief of Francis Tucker, of Platte county ;
- A bill amendatory of the charter of the city of Liberty ;
- An act to supply the county of Gasconade with certain books ;
- An act to incorporate the Parkville Insurance Company ;
- An act to incorporate Washington College ;
- An act to change the name of Elizabeth Nabring.
- An act to incorporate the Cass county Agricultural and Mechanical Association ;
- A bill in relation to witnesses' fees in St. Louis county ;
- An act for the relief of Thomas E. Thompson, Clerk of the circuit court of Marion county ;
- An act to incorporate the Lagrange Savings' Institution of Lewis county ;
- An act for the relief of Thomas Van Swearengen, late Judge of the court of common pleas in the city of Hannibal ;
- A bill for the relief the heirs of Wiley Dumm, deceased ;
- An act to amend an act entitled, an act to establish a State road from

the town of St. Charles, to Mexico, in Audrain county, approved February 11th, 1847;

An act to amend the charter of the city of St. Joseph;

An act to incorporate a ferry in the county of Buchanan;

An act to incorporate the Citizens Mutual Savings' Fund and Loan Association, of St. Louis;

An act to incorporate Warren Lodge No. 74, of Free and Accepted Masons;

A bill to incorporate the St. Louis Cotton Factory.

The President has signed enrolled House bill entitled:

An act to incorporate the Young Men's Christian Association, of St. Louis.

Mr. Moore, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled a bill of the following title,

An act for the enlargement of the Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb.

Propositions and motions being still in order,

Mr. Bean, on leave, called up House bill entitled,

An act for the enlargement of the Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb;

Which was read a third time and passed.

By Mr. King:

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to establish a State road from Fredericktown, in the county of Madison, to Bloomfield, in the county of Stoddard;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

Mr. Smith, of B., offered the following amendment to the end of the second section:

Provided, That nothing in this act shall be construed to require the county of Bollinger to pay any of the expense of surveying, making and locating said road;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

By the same:

Proposed amendment to the second article of the amendments to the Constitution;

Which was read a first time, when,

On motion of Mr. Jeffress, the proposed amendment was rejected.

By Mr. Jackson:

An act concerning roads and highways in Franklin county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Medley, on leave, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Door-Keeper be required to bring back the spit-boxes forthwith.

Mr. Brady moved to lay the resolution on the table;

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Frost:

AYES—Messrs. Bean, Blair, Bohannon, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Bullock, Burnes, Davis, Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Fagg, Feagan, Field, Garth, Green, of F., Harrison, Hardeman, Hardin, Hill, Howell, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Lightner, Mc-

Cary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, Moore, Monro, Morrow, Mott, Mothersead, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Standiford, Todd, Wall and Whitaker—49.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Baker, Blakey, Bogy, Botts, Boyd, Britton, Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Buford, Burnet, Clippard, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Donelan, Dyer, Dorris, Everett, Fant, Frost, Gentry, Goode, Graves, Green, of Lewis, Guitar, Harding, Hickox, Holmes, Jackson, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, McFarland, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Morgan, Moseley, Nevill, Parcells, Phillips, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of S., Tucker, Turner, Webb, White, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., Wyatt and Yeats—65.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Cunningham, Doniphan, of Clay, Ewing, Gilstrap, Heryford, McMurtry and Powers.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Farrar, Harris, McAfee and Smith, of St. Louis.

Sick—Messrs. Chilton and Houghton.

Excused from voting—Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Nevill offered the following amendment:

That there shall be no more rattling of said boxes whilst any member is speaking.

Mr. Hardin offered the following as a substitute for the amendment:

Provided, It shall be deemed a contempt of the House in any one who shall intentionally kick them, or flap the lids thereof during the session of the House.

Mr. Britton moved to lay the substitute on the table;

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Phillips offered the following amendment to the amendment:

That the caps be left off;

Which was, on motion, laid on the table.

Mr. Medley called the previous question;

Which was not sustained.

Mr. Hughes offered the following amendment to the amendment:

That if gentlemen cannot observe order, the Sergeant-at-Arms is hereby required to remove the spittoons, with the disorderly members, from this Hall.

Mr. Medley then withdrew the original resolution.

By Mr. Jackson;

A bill to authorize Mrs. Mary Mourtry to convey land;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Isbell:

An act to legalize the marriage of Josiah M. D. Carnes and Margaret Blackwell;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same :

An act concerning the road and canal fund of Gasconade and Osage counties ;

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. Bean moved to reject the bill ;

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Frost :

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Baker, Bean, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Bradford, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Burnet, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Feagan, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Harding, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Jackson, Lewis, of C., McFarland, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Minor, Monroe, Mothershead, Murray, Nevill, Parcells, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of Sullivan, Tucker, Wall, Webb, White and Williams, of D.—56.

NOES—Messrs. Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of St. Louis, Burnes, Clark, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Field, Green, of F., Guitar, Harrison, Hardeman, Hardin, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McCulloch, McFall, Moore, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Sitton, Smith, of P., Todd, Whitaker, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—54.

Absent—Messrs. Clippard, Cunningham, Heryford, Hickox, McCary, Medley, Moseley, Patrick, Rollins, Smith, of B., Standiford and Turner.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

By Mr. McLane, of Cape G. :

An act with reference to taxes ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Parcells :

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to organize justices courts and to regulate proceedings therein, approved March 10th, 1845 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Justices of the Peace.

By Mr. McCary :

An act to amend the law of attachment, approved March 14th, 1845 ;

Which was read a first time rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Justices of the Peace.

By the same :

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to sustain the credit of the State, and also to reduce taxation ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Bills of the following titles were introduced and severally read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed :

By Mr. Kelly :

An act to authorize the several county courts to sell swamp and overflowed lands.

By Mr. McClain, of St. C.,

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to regulate proceedings in criminal cases, approved March 25th, 1845.

By the same :

An act entitled, an act to attach Bates county to the seventh judicial circuit, and for other purposes.

Bills of the following titles were introduced and severally read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with :

By Mr. McCarty :

An act to incorporate the Westport and Kansas Insurance Company.

By Mr. McLane, of Cape G. :

An act to incorporate the United States Insurance Company.

Mr. Everett, on leave, from the select committee to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to establish a State road from Plattsburg to Atchison ;

Reported the same back to the House and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. McCarty, on leave, called up Senate bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the Cass County Agricultural and Mechanical Association ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Mr. Parcells, on leave, presented a petition from citizens of Marion and Shelby counties, to change a State road ;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. McAfee, Gentry and Feagan.

Mr. Doniphan, of P., from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly engrossed, a bill of the following title :

An act to renew, amend and extend the charter of the Bank of the State of Missouri, established in virtue of an act of the General Assembly of Missouri, approved February 2nd, 1837.

On motion of Mr. Webb,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Stevenson, a Senator :

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of

Representatives, that the Senate has passed a resolution respectfully requesting the House to return to the Senate, a Senate bill entitled,
An act to expedite the construction of the Cairo and Fulton Railroad.

Propositions and motions being still in order:

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed:

By Mr. McColloch:

An act to prohibit the sale of spiritous liquors in Central Township, Jefferson county.

By Mr. McMurtry:

An act to authorize the Curator of the minor heirs of Sinthe Trotter, deceased, to sell real estate.

By Mr. McMahan:

An act in relation to the estate of Gorman & Bowen.

By Mr. McFarland:

An act respecting the executors of Martin Kemper, deceased, late of Lincoln county.

Mr. Dorris moved a reconsideration of the vote rejecting a bill entitled,

An act concerning the road and canal fund of Gasconade and Osage counties;

Upon which motion Mr. Bean demanded the ayes and noes.

The motion was then passed over for the present.

By Mr. McColloch:

An act to incorporate a Toll Bridge Company to erect a bridge across Big River, in Jefferson county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

By Mr. McFarland:

An act respecting county buildings and other public property;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Public Buildings.

By Mr. McMahan:

An act to change the law in civil cases, respecting affidavits;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. McFall, on leave, called up Senate bill entitled,

A bill for the benefit of Rosetta Emeline Grammer;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. McSpadden:

An act for the regulation and management of the State Library;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

Mr. Heryford offered the following amendment:

Amend by striking out "seven thousand dollars" and insert "four thousand;"

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

Mr. Bogy offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Strike out "four thousand" and insert "one thousand;"

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Bogy,
The bill was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Bogy, Doniphan, of C., Blair, Todd, Davis, Green, of L., and Graves.
Mr. McMurtry, on leave, called up House bill entitled,
An act for the benefit of C. Freeman;
Which was read a third time and passed.

Mr. McMurtry, on leave, presented a petition from citizens of Carroll county, praying for the organization of a court of common pleas, at Brunswick;

Which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. McFall,

Resolved, That the Committee on Ways and Means be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending the revenue law, so as to exempt the property of widow women from taxation, where it does not exceed in value three hundred dollars, and to report by bill or otherwise.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Governor :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
City of Jefferson, Mo., February 16th, 1855. }

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives :

GENTLEMEN : I have this day approved and signed a bill of the following title :

An act to incorporate the St. Louis Young Mens' Christian Association.

Very respectfully,

STERLING PRICE

Message from the Senate by Mr. McCracken, Secretary :

Mr. SPEAKER : I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that a bill of the following title has been introduced into the Senate and passed :

An act to incorporate the Ste. Genevieve and Current River Railroad Company.

By Mr. McSpadden :

An act to define the boundary of Crawford county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Webb, Frost and Chilton.

Mr. Moore, on leave, called up Senate bill entitled,

An act to confirm the incorporation of the Cairo and Fulton Railroad Company of Missouri, and to apply to the construction of the same the grant of land made to the State, by the Congress of the United States, and to accept said grant of land ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Morgan :

An act to amend the act of incorporation of the Little Osage Literary Association ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed:

By Mr. Medley:

An act to authorize the county court of Cole county to change a portion of a State road.

By the same:

An act to authorize the administrator of the estate of B. A. Ramsey, deceased, to sell certain real estate.

By Mr. Minor:

An act to authorize Joseph Leedom, Thomas McGoldrick and George Leedom to erect a mill dam across the Chariton river, in Schuyler county.

By the same:

An act to pay grand jurors in Schuyler county.

By Mr. Morgan:

An act to form a new county, to be called "Vernon."

By Mr. Monro:

An act to pay James H. Darlington.

By the same:

An act to view and mark out a State road from Milan to Chillicothe;

By Mr. Moore:

An act to authorize Banister T. Unsill, to keep a ferry.

By Mr. Morrow:

Constitutional amendment entitled, proposed amendment to the Constitution in relation to new counties;

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Bean, was rejected by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Morrow:

AYES—Messrs. Bean, Bogy, Botts, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnes, Clippard, Cravens, Darby, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorriess, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Holmes, Jackson, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, McCarty, McFarland, McMurtry, Medley, Moore, Monro, Murray, Neill, Parcels, Patrick, Reid, Roberts, Smith, of P., Smith, of S., Todd, Wall, Webb, White and Wyatt—56.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Baker, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Boyd, Brady, Bradford, Buford, Clark, Crosswhite, Doniphan, of Clay, Fant, Frost, Garth, Green, of F., Heryford, Hill, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Nevill, Phillips, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Sitton, Smith, of B., Standiford, Tucker, Whitaker, Williams, of H., Yeats and Mr. Speaker—49.

Absent—Messrs. Bohannon, Breckinridge, Brown, of St. L., Chilton, Cunningham, Darnes, Donelan, Harding, Howell, McClain, of St. C., McSpadden, Minor, Powers, Pratt, Rollins, Shelton, Turner and Williams, of Daviess.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Dorriess called up his motion to reconsider the vote rejecting House bill entitled,

An act concerning the road and canal fund of Gasconade and Osage counties.

The question then being on the reconsideration of the bill.

Mr. Britton moved to lay the motion to reconsider, on the table,

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the **ayes** and **noes** being demanded by **Mr. Britton**:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Baker, Bean, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Bradford, Britton, Brown, of J., Buford, Bullock, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Drake, Dyer, Everett, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of Lewis, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Hughes, Jackson, Lewis, of C., McCarty, McFarland, McSpadden, Monro, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Parcels, Patrick, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of S., Todd, Wall, White, Williams, of D., Williams, of Henry, Wyatt and Yates—61.

NOES—Messrs. Blakey, Blair, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Burnes, Clark, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Dorriess, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Green, of F., Guitar, Hardeman, Hardin, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. Clair, McColloch, McFall, McMahan, Medley, Moore, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Phillips, Pratt, Reid, Sitton, Standiford, Tucker, Turner, Whitaker and Mr. Speaker—48.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Bohannon, Cunningham, Donelan, Harrison, Harding, Howell, Lewis, of St. L., McMurtry, Minor, Powers, Rollins and Webb.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

On motion of **Mr. Kelly**,

The House adjourned until 7 o'clock, this evening.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Propositions and motions being still in order.

Bills of the following titles, were introduced and severally disposed of as follows:

By **Mr. Mothersead**:

An act to pay the Missouri Volunteers in the company commanded by Capt. Moses H. Simonds, 1847;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Murray:

An act to incorporate the Mechanics' and Orphans' Savings' Institution, of Louisiana.

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when, Mr. Bean offered the following amendment:

Strike out "ten per cent. interest," where it occurs, and insert the words, "lawful interest;"

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. Murray moved to lay the amendment on the table;

Which was decided in the negative.

The amendment was then read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

By Mr. Neill:

An act to incorporate the Lafayette Agricultural and Mechanical Association;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Corporations, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

By Mr. Murray:

A bill incorporating a ferry at the city of Louisiana;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

By Mr. Patrick:

An act to prevent frauds and perjuries;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Neill:

Joint resolution entitled, Joint resolution for the benefit of James Clowdsley, late Sheriff of Lafayette county, Missouri;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Powers:

An act to incorporate the Ste. Genevieve Glass Company;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

By Mr. Pratt:

An act to incorporate the town of Augusta, in the county of St. Charles;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

By Mr. Reid:

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Madison Iron Mining Company.

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On leave, Senate bills of the following titles were taken up and severally disposed of as follows:

By Mr. Pratt:

An act to incorporate the St. Charles Ferry Company ;
 Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Phillips :

A bill to authorize the county court of Laclede to sell wet or swamp lands ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By the same :

An act to correct an error in Register's deed ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Moseley :

An act to incorporate the Point Pleasant and Dunklin County Road Company ;

Which was read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Bills of the following titles were introduced and severally disposed of as follows :

By Mr. Rollins :

An act concerning the State University ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

By Mr. Roberts :

An act to incorporate Pleasant Ridge Male and Female College ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

By the same :

An act to incorporate the town of Princeton, in Mercer county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

By Mr. Ritchey :

An act to provide for the paying of jurors in the counties of Newton and McDonald.

By Mr. Parcells :

An act to provide for the election of the County School Commissioner in the counties of Adair, Lewis and Franklin.

By the same :

An act for the benefit of the heirs of John Dunney, deceased.

By Mr. Nevill :

An act concerning the Probate Court in Harrison county.

By Mr. Mothersead :

An act authorizing the county court of Gentry and Daviess counties to convey certain lands.

By Mr. Moseley :

An act for the relief of Robert Stewart, Collector of Pemiscot county.

By Mr. Mott :

An act to establish a ferry across Little river, in Dunklin county.

By Mr. Morrow:

An act to legalize certain Sheriff's sales in Greene county.

By Mr. Powers:

An act for the benefit of L. A. Labeaume and M. L. Labeaume.

By Mr. Ritchey:

Memorial of the following title,

Memorial to Congress, asking a grant of land to the Western Missouri Railroad;

Mr. Reid, on leave, presented a petition from citizens of Jackson county, praying the enactment of a prohibitory liquor law;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Rollins:

An act for the benefit of Agriculture;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

Mr. Darnes offered the following amendment:

The several county courts of the several counties in the State, shall annually send one boy to the State University, to be taught the science of Agriculture;

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Hardeman, on leave, from the Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred the memorial of the Missouri State Agricultural Society, reported a bill of the following title, and recommended its passage:

An act amendatory of an act to incorporate the Missouri State Agricultural Society, approved February 24th, 1853;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time.

Mr. Burnes, on leave, moved to reconsider the vote on the passage of House bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the Pleasant Ridge Male and Female College;

Which was decided in the affirmative.

The bill was then referred to a select committee, consisting of the members from Platte county.

On motion of Mr. Smith, of S.,

The House adjourned.

SATURDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 17, 1865.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that House bill of the following title has passed the Senate:

An act in behalf alien heirs and devisees.

The Senate has reconsidered and amended, and passed, as amended, Senate bill entitled,

An act to expedite the construction of the Cairo and Fulton Railroad.

A bill of the following title has been introduced into the Senate:

A bill to amend an act concerning slaves;

Bills of the following titles have passed the Senate:

An act supplementary to an act providing for a Geological Survey;

An act supplementary to an act entitled, an act to regulate, govern and discipline the volunteer forces of Missouri;

An act for the benefit of Masonic College;

An act for the relief of Jubal Hunt and others;

An act concerning witnesses in criminal cases;

An act to regulate the rate of toll at the mills of P. Skinner & Co., of Platte county;

Propositions and motions being still in order:

Mr. Shambaugh, on leave, presented a petition from citizens of Daviess and DeKalb counties praying for the vacation of a portion of a State road;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Nevill, Monroe and Hughes.

Mr. Shambaugh, on leave, introduced concurrent resolution entitled,

Concurrent resolution to go into the election Public Printer;

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Shelton, on leave, called up Senate substitute entitled,

An act to authorize Henry H. Beach to act as executor of Hugh Henry, deceased;

For House bill entitled,

An act to legalize the acts of H. H. Beach, executor of Hugh Henry, deceased, of Knox county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Sutton, on leave, called up substitute entitled,

An act to increase the pay of county court justices,

For House bill of the same title, which was reported by the Committee on the Judiciary.

The substitute was read a first time, rule suspended, read second time, when,

Mr. Smith, of S., offered the following amendment:

Amend by exempting the counties of Sullivan, Putnam, Oregon, Miller, Lawrence, Newton, McDonald, Dallas, Gentry, Harrison, Schuyler, DeKalb, Stoddard, Hickory, Wayne, Butler, Ripley, Bollinger, Adair, Pettis, Pemiscot, St. Francois, Shannon, Clay, Linn, Mississippi, Randolph, Andrew, Reynolds, Livingston, Mercer, Knox, Wright, Moniteau, Scotland, Texas, Polk, Atchison, Monroe, Chariton, Nodaway, Morgan, Jasper, Henry, Barry, Benton, Pulaski, Montgomery, Taney, Stone, Scott, Grundy and Dade;

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Davis moved to lay the amendment on the table;

Which was decided in negative by the vote, ayes and noes being demanded Mr. Minor:

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Brady, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. Louis, Bullock, Clark, Crosswhite,

Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of Clay, Doniphan, of Platte, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Green, of F., Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harding, Heryford, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Kelly, Layton, Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McClain, of St. C., McColloch, McFarland, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Murray, Phillips, Pratt, Todd, Tucker, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt and Yates—49.

NOES—Messrs. Aenck, Alexander, Barrett, Blakey, Bogy, Bohannen, Botts, Boyd, Bradford, Buford, Burnes, Clippard, Cravens, Cunningham, Darby, Darnes, Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fant, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Jackson, Jennings, Jones, King, Lewis, of C., McLane, of Cape G., McFall, McMahan, McSpadden, Minor, Moore, Monro, Mothersead, Neill, Nevill, Parcella, Patrick, Powers, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Smith, of S., Standisford, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams of Daviess, and Mr. Speaker—70.

Absent—Messrs. Burnet, McMurtry, Medley and Mott.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Harris, McAfee and Smith, of St. Louis.

Sick—Messrs. Chilton and Houghton.

Mr. Doniphan, of P., moved to lay the bill and amendments on the table,

Which was decided in the negative.

Mr. Reid moved the previous question, which was sustained.

The amendment was then read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced and disposed of, as follows:

By Mr. Sitton:

An act to provide for the improvement of the Gasconade river;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

By Mr. Shelton:

An act to change the time of holding circuit courts in the counties of Lewis and Clark;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Nevill called up House bill entitled,

An act relating to certain lands sold by the State of Missouri;

Which was read a third time and passed.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Governor:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
City of Jefferson, February 17, 1855. }

Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The bill entitled, "An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Platte Country Railroad Company, and to expedite the construction of said Railroad," which has recently passed both Houses of the General Assembly, and presented to me for appraisal, has, for some days, engrossed my attention. No one can be more sensibly impressed than I am, of the necessity of sustaining the system of Internal Improvement already begun in our State, and none more ready or willing to bring to its aid all the powers which can be legitimately exercised in furthering the true interests of our beloved State. In my message of January 26, 1853, I took occasion to express my views touching the general character of railroads, and also the extent to which, in my judgment, they should receive the fostering care of the government, (which may be seen by reference to House Journal, page 389.) At that time I used the following language: "If we keep pace with the wants of the community, and do not suffer ourselves to be precipitately tempted beyond them, we will place our prosperity upon a solid basis; if, on the other hand, we lose sight of the landmarks I have indicated, revulsion and bankruptcy are inevitable." Since the date of this message, we have been called to witness a growing depression in the monetary affairs of our country, and the result has been, seriously to retard the progress of those great measures of State policy upon which our resources and our energies have been expended. The dangers to which I then feared we were subjecting ourselves have already partially resulted.

The moneyed crisis which has affected every other interest, has, in an especial manner, reached our internal improvement system, and now before any one of the great projects in progress has been completed, and during the prevalence of a panic, the end of which cannot now be foreseen, I submit the question, whether a proper legislative discretion would not suggest the withholding of all further State credit for the time being. Our credit is liable to be seriously impaired by the recent failures and consequent liquidation of the Free Banks of our sister States, which have made our bonds the basis of their moneyed operations. This fact has operated in an especial manner in causing Eastern capitalists to withhold from us their credit and confidence by refusing to purchase our bonds at their par value. And now the greatest solicitude is being felt by the moneyed men of the East, and the most anxious enquiries are making to learn whether our policy is, to extend our credit still further, in aid of new works, or to exercise a jealous guardianship, in order that those already commenced may be successfully terminated. The timidity which we know attends the investment of large capital, demands at our hands the most serious consideration.

Scarcely one-third of the whole amount necessary to the final completion of either of the several roads now in progress and contemplation, has yet been obtained, and several of the most important and extensive trunks of our railroad are already in a good degree dormant, from an inability

successfully to negotiate our bonds. The greatly increased amount, above the estimated cost of our public works, has solved the problem contained in my former message, when I expressed a belief that a "future loan of the credit of the State would become necessary." The amount necessary to complete the Central or Pacific Line of Railroad, is now found very far to exceed the estimates which were made by those who possessed the best means of information. Hence the inevitable conclusion, that an extension of our credit will be required, and which will swell our indebtedness at least as far as either prudence or discretion on our part would dictate. With the experience which we have acquired by pressing our public works forward, since the last session of the General Assembly, the following question may be more emphatically propounded now: "Is there not just cause to fear that if we provide for issuing more bonds to new companies, our legislation may have a detrimental influence upon their value in the money markets in the East, where our real condition is imperfectly known, and our resources imperfectly appreciated." This fear is now fully confirmed by the fact that our legislation is looked to from that quarter with far more than ordinary interest and anxiety.

Since we meet with such formidable difficulties and embarrassments in thus far prosecuting our system, how vastly increased must they become under our pecuniary derangements? and how inconsiderate would our action appear, if, by continued legislation, we go on to originate new works, requiring a corresponding State credit to be loaned, before, even it is satisfactorily demonstrated that the great trunks themselves can be completed.

Under every view of the subject which I have been able to take, and with an earnest desire to shape my official action so as to promote the common good, I am even more strongly impressed with the correctness of my position two years ago. I therefore, herewith return the bill, together with my objections thereto, under a conscientious discharge of my official duty.

If, in the opinion of the General Assembly, you shall determine that my views are erroneous, and that the bill returned should become a law, a majority of all the members elected to the House of Representatives and to the Senate will make it the law, notwithstanding my objections.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

STERLING PRICE.

On motion of Mr. Blair,

The communication of the Governor was made the special order of the day for Tuesday next, and on his further motion, five thousand copies thereof, together with his communication to the Senate, in returning to that body, with his objections, on the twenty-second day of January, 1853, bills entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Platte Country Railroad Company, and to expedite the construction of said Railroad," and "An act to revive and amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Lexington and Daviess County Railroad, approved February 10th, 1851, and to expedite the construction of said railroad;"

Were ordered to be printed.

Mr. Patrick, on leave, called up Senate bill entitled,
An act regulating interest on money.
Mr. Hardin moved the rejection of the bill, pending which motion,
On motion of Mr. Lewis, of C.,
The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.
The question before the House being on the motion of Mr. Hardin to
reject Senate bill entitled,
An act regulating interest on money;
It was, on motion of Mr. Hickox, passed over for the present, and on
his further motion, the House proceeded to the election of revisors of the
laws.
Nominations for first revisor being in order:
Mr. McCarty nominated Charles H. Hardin.
Mr. Brown, of St. L., nominated Albert Todd.
Mr. Harrison nominated Joseph Davis.
The roll of the House being called there appeared,

For Mr. Hardin—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Blakey, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Bradford, Britton, Brown, of N., Buford, Burnes, Clippard, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of Platte, Dorris, Dyer, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Green, of L., Harding, Hardeman, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Hughes, McCarty, McFarland, McMahan, Minor, Moseley, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Shambaugh, Smith, of B., Smith, of S., Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, and Wyatt—49.

For Mr. Todd—Messrs. Barrett, Brady, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Clark, Cunningham, Davis, Doniphan, of Clay, Drake, Everett, Farrar, Field, Goode, Green, of F., Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, King, Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McMurtry, Medley, Moore, Monro, Motz, Nevill, Patrick, Ritchey, Roberts, Sitton, White, Williams, of D., and Yeats—37.

For Mr. Davis—Messrs. Baker, Blair, Boyd, Crosswhite, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Gentry, Graves, Guitar, Harrison, Hardin, Jackson, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, Layton, Lewis, of C., McClain, of St. C., McFall, McSpadden, Morrow, Morgan, Mothersead, Neill, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of Pettis, Standiford, Todd, Williams, of H., and Mr. Speaker—37.

Absent—Messrs. Bullock and Burnet.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Harris, McAfee and Smith, of St. L.

Sick—Messrs. Chilton and Houghton.

No one nominee having received a majority of all the votes given, the House was about to proceed to a second ballot, when,

Mr. Harrison withdrew the name of Joseph Davis.

The House then proceeded to the second ballot, when there appeared,

For Mr. Hardin—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Blakey, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Bradford, Britton, Brown, of N., Buford, Burns, Clippard, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Dyer, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Guitar, Harding, Hardeman, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Hughes, Jackson, Jones, Kelly, Layton, McCarty, McFarland, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moseley, Murray, Parcells, Powers, Reid, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of Sullivan, Todd, Turner, Wall, Whitaker, Wyatt and Mr. Speaker—62.

For Mr. Todd—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Blair, Brady, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown of St. Louis, Cunningham, Davis, Doniphan, of Clay, Drake, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Harrison, Hardin, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, King, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lighner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McCulloch, McFall, McMurtry, Moore, Monro, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Mothersead, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Phillips, Pratt, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Sitton, Standiford, Tucker, White, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., and Yates—58.

Absent—Messrs. Bullock, Burnet, Darnes and Smith, of P.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Hardin having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected a Revisor of the laws of this State.

Nominations for Second Revisor then being in order,

Mr. Dorris nominated J. W. Reid.

Mr. Field nominated Joseph Davis.

Mr. Fagg nominated John W. Kelly.

No other nominations being made, and the roll of the House being called, there appeared,

For Mr. Reid—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Blakey, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Barnes, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Jackson, McCarty, McFarland, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monro, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Nevill, Parcells, Patrick, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of D., and Yeats—54.

For Mr. Davis—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Doniphan, of P., Ewing, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Harrison, Hughes, Jones, Kelly, Layton, Lewis, of Clark, Lewis, of St. L., McMurtry, Moore, Neill, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Williams, of H., and Mr. Speaker—27.

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For Mr. Kelly—Messrs. Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Donelan, Fagg, Fant, Green, of F., Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, King, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McClain, of St. C., McCulloch, McFall, Morgan, Morrow, Mott, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Sitten, Smith, of B., Standiford and Wyatt—29.

For Mr. Todd—Mr. Davis.

Absent — Messrs. Burnet, Doniphan, of C., and Guita.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Reid having received a majority of all the votes given, ~~was~~ was declared duly elected a Revisor of the laws of this State.

On motion of Mr. Frost,

The House adjourned.

MONDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 19TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Propositions and motions being still in order,

Mr. McFarland, on leave, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, By the General Assembly of Missouri, That the Committee on Revision be authorized, and they are hereby required, to draw up the necessary forms to execute the laws which they may revise, and report said forms with said revision;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. King, on leave, offered the following resolution;

Resolved, That in the opinion of a majority of this House, it is inexpedient at this late period of the session that any more Buncombe speeches should be made, and therefore no member shall hereafter speak more than fifteen minutes at any one time, nor more than twice on any one subject;

Mr. Botts moved to lay the resolution on the table;

Which was decided in the negative.

Mr. Darnes offered the following amendment:

Strike out "fifteen," and insert "ten," except in the railroad bill.

Mr. Bean offered the following as a substitute for the resolution:

Resolved, That no member be permitted to speak more than thirty minutes upon any question during the present session, nor more than twice upon the same subject.

On motion of Mr. Frost, the resolution, amendment and substitute were laid on the table.

Mr. Rollins asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Guitar.

Mr. Dorris asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. McClain, of St. Clair.

Mr. Sitton asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Isbell.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Hardin to reject Senate bill entitled,

An act regulating interest on money,

Mr. Britton moved the previous question, which was sustained.

The question then being on the rejection of the bill, it was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Frost:

AYES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Bean, Botts, Boyd, Bradford, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Davis, Drake, Dyer, Fant, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Harrison, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hill, Howell, Jackson, Layton, Lewis, of C., McAfee, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McMahan, Munro, Parcells, Phillips, Ritchey, Shelton, Smith, of S., Turner, Wall, Whitaker and Williams, of H.—41.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Brady, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. Louis, Buford, Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Clippard, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Dorcas, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Fragan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Holmes, Hughes, Jeffress, Jones, Kelly, King, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McClain, of St. C., McFall, McFarland, McMurtry, Medley, Minor, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Roberts, Rollins, Shambaugh, Sitton, Smith, of B., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, White, Williams, of D., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—73.

Absent—Messrs. Chilton, Harding, Hickox, Jennings, McSpadden, Moore, Morgan, Powers, Smith, of P., and Webb.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Guitar, Harris, Isbell, and Smith, of St. L.

Sick—Mr. Houghton.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Athenæum Society of the State University, inviting the members of the House of Representatives to attend their exhibition in the Chapel of the University on the night of the 22^d of February, 1855.

On motion of Mr. Minor,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Barrett moved a suspension of the rules to permit a bill entitled,
An act regulating interest on money;

To be read a second time, which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Brady:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Buford, Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Clippard, Clark, Cunningham, Daines, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Field, Gentry, Goode, Green, of Franklin, Green, of L., Holmes, Hughes, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McCulloch, McFall, McFarland, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Motherhead, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Sitton, Smith, of B., Standiford, Todd, Wall, White, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—81.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Bean, Bohannon, Botts, Brady, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Davis, Drake, Fant, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hill, Howell, Jackson, Layton, Lewis, of C., McAfee, Monroe, Parcells, Shelton, Smith, of B., Tucker, Turner, Webb and Whitaker—85.

Absent—Messrs. Feagan, Hickox, Phillips, Shambaugh, and Smith, of Pettis.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Guitar, Harris, Isbell, McClain, of St. C., and Smith, of St. L.

Sick—Messrs. Chilton, Houghton and Rollins.

Mr. Brown, of N., offered the following amendment as an additional section:

§ — Any person who shall buy, or upon any bond, note, mortgage, specialty, agreement, contract, promise or assurance whatever, made in this State, agree for, receive or take a higher or greater rate of interest than ten per cent per annum, as provided by this act, shall be adjudged guilty of a misdemeanor, and be punished by fine, not exceeding two hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in a county jail, not exceeding three months, or by both such fine and imprisonment; *Provided*, this section shall not be so construed, as to merge in such misdemeanor, any defense whatever, which is given to any defendant, by the provisions of section five of the act revived and reenacted by this act.

§ — The judges of all courts in this State, authorized to empanel grand jurors, shall give this act in special charge to the grand jury, at each term of the court.

§ — All fines collected by virtue of this act, shall be paid into the county treasury and become a part of the common school fund of the proper county.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Minor offered the following as a substitute for the amendment of Mr. Brown, of N.:

Any contract made in violation of the provisions of this act, either directly or indirectly, is hereby declared absolutely null and void ;

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Brown, of St. L., moved to lay the amendment on the table.

Mr. Davis moved to lay the bill, amendment and substitute on the table.

Mr. Brown, of St. L., moved a division of the question, and called for the ayes and noes.

The question then being on laying the substitute on the table, it was decided in the affirmative, by the following vote :

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Buford, Bullock, Burnett, Burnes, Clippard, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Harrison, Hickox, Hughes, Jennings, Kelly, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McFall, McFarland, McMurtry, Moore, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Mothershead, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Roberts, Standiford, Todd, White, Williams, of D., Wyatt and Yates—64.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Bean, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Davis, Drake, Dyer, Fant, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., McAfee, McCulloch, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monroe, Morgan, Murray, Phillips, Ritchey, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of S., Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, Williams, of H., and Mr. Speaker—55.

Absent—Messrs. Parcells, Powers, Sitton and Smith, of Pettis.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Mr. Houghton.

The question then being on laying the amendment of Mr. Brown, of N., on the table, it was decided in the affirmative by the following votes :

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Boyd, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Buford, Bullock, Burnett, Burnes, Clippard, Clark, Cravens, Cunningham, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harrison, Hill, Hughes, Jeffress, Kelly, King, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McFall, McFarland, Moore, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Sitton, Smith, of Bollinger, Standiford, Todd, Webb, White, Williams, of D., and Yeats—76.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Botts, Brown, of N., Chilton, Crosswhite, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Fant, Gilstrap, Graves, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Holmes, Howell, Jennings Jones, Layton, Lewis, of C., McColloch, McMahan, McSpadden, Minor, Monroe, Morgan, Parcells, Phillips, Shelton, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Whitaker, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt and Mr. Speaker—39.

Absent—Messrs. Jackson, McAfee, McMurtry, Medley, Motherhead, Murray, Rollins and Smith, of P.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Mr. Houghton.

Mr. Gilstrap offered the following amendment:

Amend by adding to the end of section first;

Provided, that this act shall not authorize, nor entitle any person to charge or receive more than six per cent. upon any existing contract, the consideration of which may be, in whole or in part, money or labor, owing by virtue of any such existing contract;

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Field moved to lay the amendment on the table;

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Gilstrap:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown of J., Brown, of St. Louis, Buford, Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Clipfard, Clark, Cravens, Cunningham, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doiphan, of Platte, Dorris, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Hardeman, Hardin, Hill, Hughes, Jeffress, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McAfee, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McFall, McFarland, Medley, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Motherhead, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Roberts, Shambaugh, Sitton, Smith, of B., Standiford, Todd, White, Williams, of D., Wyatt and Yates—75.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Bean, Bohannon, Botts, Brady, Brown, of N., Crosswhite, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Drake, Dyer, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Harrison, Harding, Heryford, Hickox, Holmes, Howell, Jackson, Jennings, Lewis, of C., McCary, McColloch, McMahan, McSpadden, Minor, Moore, Monroe, Morgan, Parcells, Ritchey, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of Sullivan, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, Williams, of Henry, and Mr. Speaker—45.

Absent—Messrs. McMurtry and Smith of P.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Messrs. Chilton and Houghton.

Mr. Frost offered the following amendment, as an additional section:

§ All laws to prevent the circulation of bank notes of a less denomination than ten dollars, be and the same are hereby repealed;

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Brown, of St. L., moved to lay the amendment on the table,

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Frost:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Baker, Barrett, Blakey, Blain, Bogy, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Buford, Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Clippard, Clark, Cravens, Cunningham, Darnes, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorris, Everett, Ewing, Farrar, Fagg, Feagan, Field, Garth, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of F., Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Holmes, Howell, Hughes, Jeffress, Jones, Jennings, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McAfee, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McCulloch, McFall, McFarland, McMurtry, Medley, Moore, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Parcella, Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of B., Standiford, Todd, Wall, Whitaker, White, Williams, of Daviess, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—98.

NOES—Messrs. Bean, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Crosswhite, Darby, Davis, Dyer, Fant, Frost, Green, of L., Heryford, Hill, Jackson, McMahan, McSpadden, Minor, Monroe, Morgan, Smith, of S., Tucker and Webb—22.

Absent—Messrs. Chilton, Turner and Smith, of P.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Mr. Houghton.

Mr. Bohannon offered the following amendment:

Provided, after rendition of judgment, the interest on all ten per cent. contracts, shall be six per cent. per annum until collected;

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Field moved to lay the amendment on the table;

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Hill:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Clippard, Clark, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Dorris, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Holmes, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McCulloch, McFall, McFarland, McMahan, McMurtry, Medley, Moore, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Roberts, Shambaugh, Sitton, Smith, of Bollinger, Todd, Webb, White, Williams, of D., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—66.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Bean, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Brown, of N., Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Drake, Dyer, Everett, Fant, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Howell, Hughes, Jackson, Layton, Lewis, of C., McCary, McSpadden, Minor, Monro, Morgan, Nevill, Parcels, Phillips, Ritchey, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of S., Standiford, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Whitaker and Williams, of H.—53.

Absent—Messrs. Bradford, Powers and Smith, of P.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Messrs. Chilton and Houghton.

Mr. Hardeman offered the following amendment:

Strike out "from and after its passage," and substitute "from and after the first day of January next;"

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Goode moved to lay the amendment on the table;

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Hardeman:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of Saint Louis, Buford, Burnet, Burnes, Clippard, Clark, Cunningham, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Holmes, Jeffress, Jones, Kelly, King, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McFall, McFarland, McMurtry, Moore, Morgan, Morrow, Moeley, Mott, Mothersead, Murray, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Rollins, Shambaugh, Sitton, Todd, White, Williams, of D., Wyatt and Yeats—57.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Bean, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Bradford, Brown, of N., Bullock, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Drake, Dyer, Fant, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Howell, Hughes, Jackson, Jennings, Layton, Lewis, of C., McAfee, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monro, Neill, Nevill, Parcels, Phillips, Ritchey, Roberts, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of Sullivan, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, Williams, of Henry, and Mr. Speaker—62.

Absent—Messrs. Powers, Smith, of Pettis, and Standiford.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Brown, of St. L., moved to reject the amendment;

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Minor:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Buford, Burnett, Burnes, Chip-
 pard, Clark, Cunningham, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P.,
 Dorris, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode,
 Green, of F., Holmes, Hughes, Jeffress, Kelly, King, Lewis, of St. L.,
 Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McFall, McFarland, McMur-
 try, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Motherhead, Murray, Patrick, Reid, Rol-
 lins, Shambaugh, Sitton, Todd, Williams, of D., Wyatt and Yeats—54.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Bean, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd,
 Brady, Bradford, Brown, of N., Bullock, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby,
 Davis, Dodson, Drake, Dyer, Fant, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves,
 Green, of L., Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox,
 Hill, Howell, Jackson, Jones, Layton, Lewis, of C., McAfee, McCary,
 McCulloch, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monro, Neill,
 Nevill, Parcells, Phillips, Pratt, Ritchey, Roberts, Shelton, Smith, of S.,
 Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of H., and Mr.
 Speaker—60.

Absent—Messrs. Darnes, Jennings, Moore, Morgan, Powers, Smith,
 of B., Smith, of P., and Standiford.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

The amendment was then read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. King moved that the House adjourn until 7 o'clock, P. M.;

Which was decided in the negative.

Mr. Smith, of P., moved that the House adjourn;

Which was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Britton, the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Todd offered the following amendment to the third section :

Except as to new contracts provided upon entirely new considerations,
 and as to those, this act shall go into effect from and after its passage;

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Brown, of St. Louis, moved the previous question.

Mr. Davis moved to lay the bill and amendments on the table.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from
 the Governor:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
 City of Jefferson, Mo., February 19th, 1855. }

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives:

GENTLEMEN: I have this day approved and signed bills of the follow-
 ing titles:

An act for the benefit of the heirs of Jacob B. Fisher, deceased, late
 of Saline county;

An act to suspend the distribution of the revenue school moneys;

An act to pay petit jurors in De Kalb county;

An act to regulate all funds accruing from fines in the county of Dade;

An act to repeal an act entitled, an act applying all fines to the support of common schools in this State, except in the county of Pike.

An act to pay petit jurors in the county of Bollinger;

An act to repeal an act entitled, an act to pay jurors in the county of Cape Girardeau, Scott and Stoddard, approved February 25th, 1851;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act concerning grand and petit jurors in the county of Cooper, so far as said act applies to the county of Lewis.

Very respectfully,
STERLING PRICE.

On motion of Mr. Cravens,
The House adjourned until 7 o'clock, P. M.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Propositions and motions being still in order:

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced and disposed of as follows:

By Mr. Todd:

An act to authorize the release of one or more joint or several debtors;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By the same:

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to reform the Pleadings and Practice in courts of justice in Missouri, approved February 24, 1849.

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Wall:

An act to amend an act to provide for assessing and collecting the revenue;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second, referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

By Mr. Turner:

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act concerning dower, approved March 24th, 1845;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

By Mr. Whitaker:

An act to extend the limits of the county of Miller;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Bradford, Blakey, Smith, of P., Harrison, Ewing, Hickox, Whitaker and Dodson.

Mr. Tucker, on leave, called up Senate bill entitled,

An act to change a portion of a State road in Dade and Lawrence counties;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Standiford, on leave, called up Senate bill entitled,

An act for the relief of Robert Taylor;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Standiford, on leave, called up Senate bill entitled,

An act to establish a State road from Warrsburg, to Richard Berry's, on the boundary line of Cass county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Smith, of B., on leave, from the select committee to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to amend the several acts to establish judicial circuits, and prescribe the time and place of holding courts in the Tenth Judicial Circuit:

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

Mr. Darnes offered the following amendment:

Provided, this act shall not apply to Scott county, until the fall term, 1855;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Brady, the bill was then passed over.

By Mr. Barrett:

An act to amend an act entitled, an act concerning dower, approved March 24th, 1845;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

By Mr. Lewis, of C.:

An act to prevent ardent spirits from being sold within three miles of railroad lines;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Farrar:

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act respecting wills, approved March 10th, 1845;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By the same:

An act to amend the charter of the city of St. Louis;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee, consisting of the members from the county of St. Louis.

By Mr. Whitaker:

An act to abolish the office of School Commissioner, as to the county of Miller;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time.

By Mr. Yeats:

An act regulating proof of qualification to vote;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Elections.

By Mr. Breckinridge:

An act concerning jurors in St. Louis county;

Which were read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee, consisting of the members from the county of St. Louis;

By Mr. Brady:

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to provide for the recovery of debts by attachment, approved March 14th, 1845;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By the same:

An act amendatory of the 48th chapter of the Revised Statutes, respecting depositions;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By the same:

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to regulate practice at law, approved March 27th, 1845;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary;

By the same:

An act in amendment of the attachment act of the Revised Statutes of 1845;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Darnes, on leave, called up Senate bill entitled,

An act to establish a probate court in the county of Scott;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Bills of the following titles were introduced, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

By Mr. McAfee:

An act to incorporate the city of Parkville.

By Mr. Moore:

An act to incorporate Friendship Lodge No. 89, of Free and Accepted Masons.

By Mr. Yeats:

An act to incorporate the Laclede Insurance Company.

By Mr. Wall:

An act to incorporate Bloomfield Academy.

By Mr. Tusher:

An act to incorporate the Melville Male and Female Academy.

By Mr. Turner:

An act to incorporate the Callaway county Home Mutual Fire Insurance Company, and also the Cole County Home Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

By Mr. Speaker:

An act for the incorporation of Agricultural and Mechanical Societies, in the counties of Ralls, Lincoln and Pike.

By Mr. Dodson:

An act to incorporate Monticello Lodge, No. 58, of Free and Accepted Masons.

Bills of the following titles, were severally introduced, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed:

By Mr. Frost:

An act for the relief of Thomas Hambrick.

By Mr. Garth:

An act amendatory of an act respecting executors and administrators, approved March 26th, 1845.

By the same:

A bill to authorize Samuel F. Haywood to sell real estate.

By Mr. Gilstrap:

An act to change the time of holding Circuit Courts in the Second Judicial Circuit.

By Mr. Burnet:

An act to regulate the fees of the probate court of the county of Andrew.

By the same:

An act to revive and to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Sacramento and St. Joseph Railroad Company.

By Mr. McAfee:

An act amending an act concerning the Collector of the revenue, in Platte county.

By Mr. Darnes:

An act concerning the conveyance of certain real estate.

By Mr. Dodson:

An act to amend the charter of the city of Lagrange.

By Mr. Speaker:

An act to change the name of Francis Marion Wells, of Boone county, to that of Francis Marion Connelly.

By the same:

An act to change a State road in Ralls county.

By Mr. White:

A bill for the benefit of John H. Marsh.

By Mr. Wall:

An act to change the name of John T. Greenwood, Henry Greenwood, Ruth E. Greenwood, David L. Greenwood and George Greenwood, of Butler county.

By Mr. Hughes:

An act for the relief of John Chappell.

By Mr. Bogy:

An act to appropriate money.

By Mr. Harrison:

An act for the relief of P. R. Hayden, Benjamin Tompkins and R. D. Perry.

By Mr. Breckinridge:

An act to authorize the sale of certain lands in Jefferson county.

By Mr. Brady:

A bill to pay the factor of the penitentiary for materials and work done on public grounds.

By Mr. Wyatt:

An act for the relief of Stephen T. Nockolls, of Atchison county.

By Mr. Williams, of H.:

An act to legalize and perfect a deed of conveyance from John Bradley and wife, to Marcellus F. Dunn.

By Mr. White:

An act amendatory of all acts in relation to the Ste. Genevieve Big Field.

By Mr. Wyatt:

An act to authorize Margaret Scott to keep a ferry across the Missouri river, in Atchison county.

By Mr. Monro:

An act to declare a certain county road, a State road.

By Mr. Smith, of S.:

An act to declare a certain county road a State road.

By Mr. Smith, of S.:

An act to authorize the county court of Sullivan county to levy a special tax, for the purpose of building a court house.

By Mr. Lightner:

An act to change the name of Elias Alexander Knight, to George W. Alexander.

By Mr. Webb:

An act to authorize Jesse Benton to convey certain real estate.

By the same:

An act concerning fines and forfeitures, in Dent county.

By Mr. Smith, of B.:

An act for the benefit of Baylie Peyton.

By Mr. —

An act to authorize Green B. Griffith to keep a ferry.

Mr. Jeffress, on leave, called up Senate bill entitled,

An act to regulate and pay grand and petit jurors in Franklin county ;
Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Garth, on leave, presented a petition from citizens of Randolph county ;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Bogy, Acock and Moseley.

Mr. Williams, of D., on leave, presented a petition from Daniel Smoote;

Which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Breckinridge, on leave, presented a petition from certain tobacco dealers in St. Louis ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Frost, on leave, presented a petition from citizens of Texas county, praying to be attached to Dent county ;

Which was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Frost, Webb and Chilton.

On motion of Mr. Green, of L.,

The House adjourned.

TUESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 20TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holtiday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that bills of the following titles have passed the Senate :

An act to incorporate the Randolph county Mutual Fire Insurance Company ;

* An act to authorize the guardian of Oscar L. Peak, to sell certain lands in Howard county, and for other purposes.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate :

An act to amend an act to restrain intercourse with Indians ;

An act to incorporate the Quiney Bridge Company.

House bills of the following titles have passed the Senate :

An act to change the name of the town of Centerville, in Macon county, to that of Woodville ;

An act attaching part of Cass to Bates county.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced in the Senate and passed :

An act to incorporate the North Missouri Hotel Company of St. Charles.

An act changing the time of holding circuit courts in the county of Livingston ;

An act better to provide for the support of the "poor" of St. Louis co.

An act for the relief of Robert C. Williams and Andrew Lockridge, of Daviess county, Missouri ;

An act to incorporate "Wood's Academy," in the city of Louisiana ;

An act to regulate fees of clerks of county courts in certain cases ;

An act to authorize Wm. Kirkpatrick, of the county of Johnson, to administer on the partnership estate of the firm of Kirkpatrick & McCormack ;

An act for the relief of the citizens of Lawrence county ;

An act repealing an act establishing certain State roads in Miller and Osage counties ;

An act to change the name of the Eliot Seminary ;

An act to incorporate the St. Louis and Perry County Iron Mining Company ;

An act to incorporate the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Saving's Institution ;

An act for the sale of certain real estate in Stone county ;

A bill to incorporate the St. Louis Rolling Mill Company ;

An act to provide for the compensation of Assessors in Buchanan county ;

A bill to incorporate Prairie Point Academy of Platte county ;

A bill extending the limits of the city of St. Charles ;

An act to furnish Wayne county certain books ;

An act amendatory of an act concerning perpetuating testimony ;

An act to incorporate Central Cemetery Association of St. Louis ;

An act to authorize the county court of Scotland county to borrow money for certain purposes ;

An act for the benefit of Lewis A. Summers, of Cooper county ;

An act concerning billiard tables in Ste. Genevieve and St. François counties ;

The Senate has passed the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Senate will, on Thursday, the 22d instant, proceed to consider and act upon bills and other business from the House ; *Provided*, the House will on that day proceed to consider and act upon bills and other business from the Senate.

Mr. Minor, on leave, called up Senate bill entitled,

An act supplementary to an act passed at the present session, entitled, an act touching the indebtedness of the late county of Vernon ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Jeffress moved a reconsideration of the vote, on the passage of House bill entitled,

A bill for the benefit John H. Marsh ;

Which was decided in the affirmative.

The bill was then taken up, and

On motion of Mr. Motts, was indefinitely postponed.

The question then being on laying on the table Senate bill entitled,

An act regulating interest on money, together with the amendments thereto.

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Webb,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Sitton, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles :

An act in behalf of alien heirs and devisees ;

An act to change the name of the town of Centerville, in Macon county, to that of Woodville ;

An act attaching part of Cass to Bates county.

The question being on laying on the table, Senate bill entitled,

An act regulating interest on money, together with the amendments thereto, it was decided in the negative, by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. ———— :

AYES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Bean, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Bradford, Chilton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Davis, Drake, Dyer, Fant, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of I., Harrison, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jennings, Jones, Layton, McAfee, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Monroe, Parcells, Phillips, Ritchey, Shelton, Smith, of S., Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker and Williams, of H.—58.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. Louis, Buford, Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Clippard, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Hughes, Jeffress, Kelly, King, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McFall, McFarland, McMurtry, Morrow, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Roberts, Shambaugh, Sitton, Smith, of B., Standiford, Todd, Williams, of D., Yeats and Mr. Speaker—61.

Absent—Messrs. Minor, Moore, Mott, Powers, Smith, of Pattis, and White.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Guitar, Harris, McClain, of St. C., Morgan and Smith, of St. L.

Sick—Messrs. Harding, Houghton, Wyatt and Rollins.

Mr. Todd withdrew the amendment offered by him on yesterday.

The bill was then read a third time and passed by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. —:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Buford, Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Clippard, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of Clay, Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Everett, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Holmes, Hughes, Jeffress, Kelly, King, Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, McCarty, McFall, McFarland, McMurtry, Minor, Morgan, Morrow, Moseley, Mothershead, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Roberts, Shambaugh, Sitton, Smith, of B., Standiford, Todd, Williams, of Daviess, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—62.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Bean, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Bradford, Ohlton, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Davis, Drake, Dyer, Ewing, Fant, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Harrison, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Howell, Isbell, Jackson, Jennings, Jones, Layton, Lewis, of C., McAfee, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McCulloch, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Monroe, Parcells, Phillips, Ritchey, Shelton, Smith, of S., Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker and Williams, of H.—64.

Absent—Messrs. Moore, Mott, Powers, Smith, of P., White and Wyatt.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Messrs. Harding, Houghton and Rollins.

On motion of Mr. Britton, the regular order of business was passed over, and on his further motion, bills and other business from the Senate were taken up.

Bills of the following titles were taken up and severally read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed:

An act to change the name of J. W. Sheckels, to J. W. Patterson.

A bill to change the name of Emily F. Kelly;

An act for the relief of Owen Rawlins and Allen Hamer.

An act change a portion of a State road leading from Springfield to Forsythe.

An act to establish and define the boundaries of the counties of Wright and Greene.

An act to vacate certain streets in the town of New Franklin, in Howard county.

An act to provide for pay of petit jurors in the county of Lawrence.

An act to declare certain minors of age.

An act to change a portion of a State road in Greene county.

Bills of the following titles were severally taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the yeas and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with:

An act to incorporate St. Louis Medical College.

An act to incorporate the Institution of Civil Engineers, at St. Louis;

An act to incorporate the St. Louis Gymnastic Society;

Senate bill of the following title was taken up,

A bill to incorporate the City University of St. Louis;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when, Mr. Brown, of St. Louis, offered the following amendment:

Insert the name, "Presbyterian University," in place of the "City University," wherever it occurs.

Which was read a first time and rejected.

Mr. Brown, of St. L., offered the following amendment:

Insert the word, "Western," in place of the name now used, wherever it occurs;

Which was read a first time and rejected.

Mr. Blair offered the following amendment:

Strike out after the words "City University," the words "St. Louis," wherever it occurs in the bill;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed by the following vote:

AYES—Messrs. Bean, Blakey, Blair, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of Clay, Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Dorriess, Everett, Ewing, Fant, Field, Garth, Gentry, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, McCarty, McFarland, McMurtry, Minor, Moore, Monro, Morrow, Moseley, Murray, Neill, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Sitton, Smith, of S., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, Yates and Mr. Speaker—75.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Brown, of St. Louis, Darby, Frost and McLane, of Cape G.—5.

Absent—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bohannon, Brown, of N., Buford, Chilton, Clippard, Dyer, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Goode, Jackson, Jones, Kelly, King, McAfee, McCary, McCulloch, McFall, McMahan, McSpadden, Mott, Mothershead, Nevill, Parcells, Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., White, Williams, of Daviess, and Williams, of Henry.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Excused from voting—Messrs. Acock, Bogy, Harrison and Medley.

On motion of Mr. Britton,
The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 21ST, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.
Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that the President of the Senate has signed enrolled Senate bills of the following titles:

An act to confirm the incorporation of the Cairo and Fulton Railroad Company, of Missouri, and to apply to the construction of the same the grant of land made to the State of Missouri by the Congress of the United States, and to accept said grant of land;

An act supplementary to an act passed at the present session, entitled, "an act touching the indebtedness of Vernon county;"

An act for the benefit of Rosetta Emeline Grammar;

An act to correct an error in describing the lands in a deed executed by Allen P. Richardson, Register of lands in the State of Missouri, executed to James R. Edsall, and bearing date the third day of March, 1852.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate:

A bill for the relief of Martha McDaniel, minor heir of J. B. McDaniel, deceased, late of Laclede county;

An act to provide for the erection of buildings on the capitol grounds.

A bill of the following title has passed the Senate:

An act to amend an act to establish the Lebanon Academy.

Bills and other business from the Senate being in order:

Mr. Barrett, on leave, introduced a bill of the following title:

An act to incorporate the Mound City Building and Land Association;
Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third

time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Mr. Barrett, on leave, introduced a bill of the following title:

An act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of Ancient Order of Good Fellows, of the State of Missouri;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Harrison,

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish to the Committee on Ways and Means all the papers in his office, relative to the defalcation of the late Peter G. Glover, former treasurer of this state.

Mr. Hill, on leave, introduced a bill of the following title,

An act to define the boundaries of Osage and Pulaski counties;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Powers, on leave, introduced a bill of the following title,

An act entitled, an act concerning the Courts in the Seventh Judicial Circuit;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to charter a Ferry Company;

Was taken up, read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Moore, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to amend an act entitled, an act providing for the Education of the Blind, approved February 27th, 1851;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

Mr. Minor offered the following amendment:

Strike out "fifteen thousand dollars," in section four, and insert "five thousand dollars;"

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Bean offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Strike out "five thousand," and insert "ten thousand;"

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Minor moved to lay the amendment to the amendment on the table;

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Todd moved to lay the amendment on the table;

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Minor:

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnet, Burnes, Clippard, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Dorriass, Everett, Farrar, Field, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Lewis, of Clark, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McFarland, McMahan, McMurtry, Moore, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Murray, Neill,

Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Rollins, Smith, of Pettis, Todd, Wall, Yates and Mr. Speaker—58.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Chilton, Cravens, Darby, Drake, Dyer, Ewing, Frost, Garth, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Hughes, Jackson, McAfee, McColloch, McFall, McSpadden, Minor, Monroe, Mothersead, Nevill, Phillips, Fowers, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of S., Standiford, Tucker, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of Daviess, and Williams, of Henry—50.

Absent—Messrs. Brown, of St. L., Crosswhite, Doniphan, of C., Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Gilstrap, Layton, McCary, Medley, Parcells, Sitton, Smith, of B., and Turner.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Guitar, McClain, of St. C., Morgan and Smith, of St. Louis.

Sick—Messrs. Harding, Houghton and Wyatt.

Mr. Hardin asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Turner.

Mr. Hughes offered the following amendment :

Strike out "fifteen thousand," and insert "eight thousand ;"

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

Mr. Darnes offered the following amendment to the amendment :

Strike out "eight" and insert "twelve ;"

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Field moved to lay the amendment and the amendment to the amendment, on the table.

Mr. Botts moved a division of the question.

The question then being on laying the amendment to the amendment on the table, it was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Botts :

AYES—Messrs. Alexander, Blakey, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Bullock, Burnet, Clippard, Cravens, Cunningham, Darby, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of Platte, Dorris, Dyer, Ewing, Frost, Garth, Graves, Green, of Lewis, Harrison, Hardeman, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Hughes, Jackson, Kelly, Lewis, of C., McAfee, McCarty, McFall, McMahan, McMurtry, Minor, Neill, Parcells, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Standiford, Webb, White, Williams, of D., and Williams, of H.—47.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Buford, Burnes, Chilton, Clark, Darnes, Drake, Everett, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Green, of F., Harria, Hardin, Hickox, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, Medley, Moore, Monroe, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Murray, Nevill, Patrick, Phillips, Pratt, Reid, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of S., Todd, Wall, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—64.

Absent—Messrs. Crosswhite, Doniphan, of C., McFarland, McSpadden, Powers, Smith, of B., Smith, of Pettis and Tucker.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Guitar, McClain, of St. C., Morgan, Smith, of St. L., and Turner.

Sick—Messrs. Harding, Houghton, Whitaker and Wyatt.

Mr. Murray moved to refer the bill and amendments to the Committee on State Asylums;

Which was decided in the negative.

The amendment to the amendment was then read a second time and agreed to.

The question then being on agreeing to the amendment as amended, it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Acock offered the following amendment to the last section:

Provided, that no person, except the indigent poor, shall be educated at the expense of the State, and the Managers and Officers shall report to the next Legislature in the first week of its session specifically, how the appropriation has been expended, and no buildings shall be commenced unless they can be completed with the appropriations herein made.

Provided, further, that no person who is not a resident of this State, shall be admitted to the benefits of the institution.

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

Mr. Gilstrap offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Provided, that when the parents or guardian of any pupil, if a minor, shall remove from this State, by changing their residence, such pupil shall be discharged from the institution.

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Bogy, on leave, from the Committee on Banks, reported a bill of the following title, and recommended its passage:

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to charter the Bank of the State of Missouri, approved February 2nd, 1837;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and three hundred copies ordered to be printed.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the Caledonia Steam Mill Company;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Minor,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The question before the House being on agreeing to the amendment of Mr. Acock, as amended by Mr. Gilstrap,

Mr. Brady moved a reconsideration of the vote on agreeing to the amendment of Mr. Gilstrap, to the amendment of Mr. Acock.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Brady,

The amendment of Mr. Gilstrap, to the amendment of Mr. Acock, was laid on the table.

The amendment of Mr. Acock, was then read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Breckinridge offered the following amendment:

Add to the end of the fifth section:

Provided, that the sum of three thousand dollars, formerly appropriated and still remaining in the Treasury, shall be and constitute a portion of the sum of five thousand dollars, herein appropriated for the support of the institution for the present year.

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. Brady offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Amend by inserting the words, "for the next two years," after the words "per annum," in the fifth section.

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to

The amendment as amended, was then read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to establish a Court of Common Pleas, in the city of Hannibal, approved March 27th, 1845, and to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the city of Hannibal, approved February 21st, 1845;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

Mr. Gilstrap offered a substitute of the same title;

The substitute was then read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Breckinridge, on leave, from the Committee on Education, to whom was referred bills of the following titles:

An act abolishing the office of School Commissioner in Warren county;

An act to amend the School laws;

An act to amend the fifth section of the second article of an act entitled, an act to provide for the organization, support and government of Common Schools in the State of Missouri;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to provide for the support, organization and government of Common Schools in the State of Missouri;

A bill to transfer school money of fractional townships;

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to provide for the organization, support and government of Common Schools in the State of Missouri, approved February 24th, 1853;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act for the organization, support and government of Common Schools in the State of Missouri, approved February 24th, 1853;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to provide for the organization, support and government of Common Schools in the State of Missouri, approved February 24th, 1853;

Reported the same back and recommended their rejection.

Also, petition from citizens of Nodaway, Barry, Laclede, Cooper, Lafayette and Callaway counties, praying for the modification of the existing school laws;

Reported the same back and recommended that the prayers of the petitioners be not granted.

Also, resolutions entitled, resolutions of instruction to the Committee on Education;

Reported the same back and recommended the inexpediency of the proposed changes in the law.

The report of the committee was agreed to.

Mr. Breckinridge, on leave, from the same Committee, reported bills of the following titles, and recommended their passage:

An act instructing the Commissioner of the Permanent Seat of Government;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended and read a second time; also,

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to provide for the organization, support and government of Common Schools in the State of Missouri;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and two hundred copies ordered to be printed.

The report of the committee was agreed to, and two hundred copies ordered to be printed.

Senate concurrent resolution entitled,

Concurrent resolution in relation to the election of U. S. Senator;

Was taken up, when

Mr. Boyd moved to postpone the resolution until the second Monday in November next;

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Minor

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of St. Louis, Burnet, Clark, Cumingham, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Howell, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of P., Standiford, Todd, Williams, of H., Yeats and Mr. Speaker—64.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Dorriess, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McAfee, McCarty, McFarland, McMurtry, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monroe, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Reid, Ritchey, Smith, of S., Tucker, Wall, Webb and White—48.

Absent—Messrs. Gilstrap, Jackson, Nevill, Parcels, Shambaugh and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Guitar, McClain, of St. Clair, Morgan, Smith, of St. L., and Turner.

Sick—Messrs. Crosswhite, Harding, Houghton, Smith, of B., Whitaker and Wyatt.

Senate bill entitled,

A bill to increase the salaries of Judges ;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time;

When Mr. Bean offered the following amendment

Strike out all relating to Circuit Judges ;

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Field, was laid on the table.

Mr. Graves offered the following amendment to the first section :

Strike out " twenty-five hundred " and insert " two thousand ; "

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Mothersead moved to lay the amendment on the table ;

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Graves :

AYES—Messrs. Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Britton, Brown, of St. L., Burnet, Bradford, Breckinridge, Burnes, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Dorris, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Field, Green, of F., Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Kelly, King, Lewis, of St. L., McAfee, McCary, McCarty, McFarland, McMurtry, Medley, Minor, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Rollins, Sitton, Smith, of P., Todd, Williams, of Henry, Yates and Mr. Speaker—57.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Baker, Bean, Bogy, Botts, Boyd, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Chilton, Clippard, Graves, Darby, Dodson, Drake, Dyer, Feagan, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Jackson, Jones, Layton, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McSpadden, Moore, Monroe, Morrow, Mott, Phillips, Powers, Ritchey, Roberts, Shelton, Smith, of Sullivan, Standiford, Wall, Webb, Whitaker and White—53.

Absent—Messrs. Brady, Donelan, Green, of Lewis, Lewis, of C., Nevill, Parcells, Shambaugh, Tucker and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before

Mr. Heryford offered the following amendment to the first section :

Strike out " twenty-five hundred dollars " and insert " twenty-two hundred and fifty dollars ; "

Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Blair,

Was laid on the table by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Whitaker :

AYES—Messrs. Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Everett, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Field, Goode, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Kelly, King, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McAfee, McCarty, McFarland, McMurtry, Medley, Morrow, Mosley, Mothershead, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Rollins, Sitton, Todd, Williams, of Henry, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—59.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Baker, Bean, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Chilton, Clippard, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Drake, Dyer, Ewing, Feagan, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Gilstrap, Graves, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Jackson, Jones, Layton, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McMahan, Moore, Monro, Mott, Phillips, Ritchey, Roberts, Sitton, Smith, of S., Standiford, Tucker, Wall, Webb, Whitaker and White—50.

Absent—Messrs. Lewis, of C., McFall, McSpadden, Minor, Nevill, Parcells, Powers, Shambaugh, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., and Williams, of Daviess.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Wall offered a substitute of the same title for the bill ;
Which was, on motion of Mr. Field, laid on the table.

Mr. Lewis, of C., moved to lay the bill on the table ;
Which was decided in the negative.

The bill was then read a third time and passed by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Jackson :

AYES—Messrs. Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of Saint Louis, Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Everett, Fagg, Farrar, Field, Goode, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Kelly, King, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McAfee, McCary, McFarland, McMurtry, Medley, Minor, Mosley, Mothershead, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Reid, Rollins, Sitton, Smith, of P., Todd, Williams, of Henry, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—60.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Baker, Bean, Botts, Boyd, Brown, of N., Buford, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Drake, Dyer, Ewing, Fant, Feagan, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Gilstrap, Graves, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Jackson, Jones, Layton, Lewis, of C., McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, Moore, Monro, Morrow, Mott, Phillips, Pratt, Ritchey,

Roberts, Shelton, Smith, of Sullivan, Standiford, Tucker, Wall, Webb, Whitaker and White—54.

Absent—Messrs. McSpadden, Nevill, Parcels, Powers, Shambaugh, Smith, of B., and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Senate bills of the following titles were taken up, severally read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed :

An act for the relief of James McCollough, former Collector of Jefferson county ;

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to incorporate the city of Lagrange

On motion of Mr. Kelly,

The House adjourned until 7 o'clock, P. M.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Bills and other business from the Senate being still in order,

Mr. Blair, on leave, called up House bill entitled,

An act to organize the county of Maries.

Mr. Blair offered the following amendment :

Strike out "section twenty-one," and insert the following: "the county of Maries is hereby attached to the county of Osage for representative purposes ;"

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Senate bills of the following titles were taken up, severally read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

An act to declare James M. Nelson of age ;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the city of Weston ;

An act concerning State roads in the county of Washington ;

An act to reduce the compensation of the Collector of the Revenue of St. Louis county ;

An act to district the county of Marion for the election of County Judges ;

An act for the relief of the heirs of William Cawfield; deceased ;

A bill to establish Eldon College ;

A bill for the relief of Fielding S. Helm ;

An act for the relief of Frederick Miller and Thomas McCarthy ;

An act to declare Wesley Massey of age ;

An act concerning the county court of Washington county ;

An act for the relief of the heirs of Daniel Davis, late of St. Louis county ;

An act increasing the fees of Justices of the county court of Jefferson county ;

An act regulating the times of holding certain courts in the county of St. Louis, and for other purposes ;

An act to change a State road in Marion county ;

A bill to amend an act entitled, an act to establish a Probate Court in the city of Hannibal ;

An act amendatory of an act to incorporate the Howard County Mutual Insurance Company ;

An act for the benefit of Charles J. Drury of Montgomery county ;

A bill for the relief of Fielding Burnes.

An act concerning the National Bridge Plank Road Company.

Senate bills of the following titles, were taken up, severally read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with :

An act to incorporate the Boatman's Insurance Company ;

An act to incorporate the town Frémont, in Cedar county ;

An act to incorporate the North Missouri Hotel Company of St. Charles ;

A bill to incorporate the Carondelet Marine Railway and Dock Company ;

A bill to incorporate the Dime Saving's Institution of St. Louis ;

Mr. Botts, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to incorporate Jackson Lodge No. 82, of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation being dispensed with.

Mr. Medley, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to establish a steam ferry at Jefferson City ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time passed.

Mr. Smith, of P., on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to provide for the payment of Petit Jurors in the county of Pettis ;

Which was read first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Smith, P., on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

A bill to establish Eldon College ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to dispose of wet and swamp lands ;

Was taken up, read first time, and

On motion of Mr. Hardeman, was rejected.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the Jackson Seminary ;

Was taken up, read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Darnes, was rejected by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Blair

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Blakey, Bogy, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Britton, Bullock, Burnet, Burnes, Chilton, Cravens, Cunningham, Darnes, Dodson, Drake, Devriss, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Gilstrap, Graves, Green, of L., Harrison, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Jones, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McAfee, McCarty, McCulloch, McFarland, McMurtry, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monroe, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Nevill, Parcels, Phillips, Reid, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of S., Todd, Tucker, Wall, Webb, White, Williams, of D., and Williams, of H.—60.

NOES—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Clippard, Clark, Davis, Doniphan, of P., Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Gentry, Green, of F., Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Kelly, King, Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McFall, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Patriak, Ritchey, Rollins and Sitton—36.

Absent—Messrs. Baker, Bohannon, Bradford, Brown, of N., Buford, Darby, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Field, Hughes, Jackson, Layton, McMahan, McSpadden, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Smith, of B., Smith, of P., Standiford, Yeats and Mr. Speaker.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Guitar, McClain, of St. C., Morgan, Smith, of St. L., and Turner.

Sick—Messrs. Crosswhite, Goode, Harding, Houghton, Whitaker and Wyatt.

On motion of Mr. Bogy,
The House adjourned.

THURSDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 22D, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.
Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives that the President of the Senate has signed enrolled House bills of the following titles:

An act to change the name of the town of Centerville, in Macon county, to that of Woodville,

An act in behalf of alien heirs and devisees;

An act attaching part of Cass to Bates county.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed:

An act to change a State road in Audrain county;

A bill to incorporate the "Hope Company;"
 An act to amend chapter 180, Revised Statutes, entitled Trespass;
 An act to incorporate the Aetna Insurance Company;
 An act declaring a certain County road in Lewis and Shelby counties
 a State road;
 An act concerning the Road and Canal Fund in Osage county;
 A bill to change a portion of a State road in Shelby county;
 An act to authorize St. Louis county to levy special taxes;
 Joint resolutions to fit up a room in the Capitol for the use of the Superintendent of Common Schools;
 An act for the relief of M. F. Crouch, late Sheriff of Newton county;
 An act for furnishing to certain officers the public Statutes and Reports of the Supreme Court, and for other purposes.
 House bill of the following title has passed the Senate:
 An act to incorporate the Jackson County Agricultural and Mechanical Association.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate:
 An act changing the manner of voting in this State;
 A bill to amend the school law.

Bills and other business from the Senate being still in order:
 Mr. Drake, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,
 A bill to change the name of Alvira Roby, of Monroe county;
 Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.
 Mr. McCarty, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,
 An act to change the name of Rebecca Smith;
 Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.
 Mr. Acock, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,
 An act to declare a County road a State road in the county of Polk;
 Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.
 On motion of Mr. Brady, the vote on the passage of Senate bill entitled,
 An act concerning the County Court of Washington county;
 Was reconsidered, and,
 On his further motion, the bill was indefinitely postponed.
 Senate bills of the following titles were taken up, severally read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed:
 An act for the relief of Henry C. Wellman and William O. Young;
 A bill for the relief of G. W. Kelly;
 An act to provide for the payment of Petit Jurors in the county of Shelby;
 An act to amend the charter of the Globe Mutual Insurance Company of the city of St. Louis.
 Senate bill entitled,
 An act to incorporate the Missouri Wine Company;
 Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed by the following vote:

AYES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Barnes, Chilton, Clifford,

Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Donelan, Davis, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Dorris, Dyer, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Field, Garth, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Graves, Green, of F., Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Holmes, Howell, Hughes, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McAfee, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McFarland, McMahan, McMurtry, McSpadden, Minor, Moore, Monroe, Moseley, Mott, Mothershead, Nevill, Parcels, Patrick, Reid, Ritchey, Rollins, Shambaugh, Sitton, Smith of P., Smith, of Sullivan, Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Wall, Whitaker, White, Williams, of D., Williams, of Henry, and Yates—87.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Bean, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Burnet, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Everett, Frost, Green, of L., Harrison, Hill, McCary, Morrow, Neill, Powers, Roberts, Shelton, Webb and Mr. Speaker—24.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Brown, of St. Louis, Bullock, Drake, Feagan, Lewis, of St. L., Medley, Phillips and Murray.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Guitar, McClain, of St. C., Morgan, Smith, of St. L., and Turner.

Sick—Messrs. Harding, Houghton, Smith, of B., and Wyatt.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to charter Des Peres Institute in St. Louis county;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time,

When Mr. Brady offered the following amendment:

Strike out the words "executions, or taxation," in section first;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time,

When Mr. Todd offered the following substitute for the amendment:

"For taxation so far as used directly for the purposes of education;"

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time.

On motion of Mr. —,

The bill, together with the amendment and substitute, were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to authorize County Courts to invest township school funds;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Britton, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Senate bill entitled,

An act regulating fees of County Clerks for making out aggregate abstracts;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Minor, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to regulate, govern and discipline the volunteer forces of the State of Missouri;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Acock, the bill was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Senate bill entitled,

A bill to authorize James Owen, of Dade county, to peddle without license ;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Britton, the bill was rejected.

Senate bill entitled,

An act concerning the Clerk of the County Court of Crawford county ;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

Mr. Webb offered the following amendment as an additional section :

§ —. *Provided*, that nothing in this act shall be so construed as to permit the Clerk of the County Court of Crawford, or his deputy, to become executor or administrator in any case where the county court of said county exercises probate jurisdiction.

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to procure a portrait of Thomas Jefferson, author of the Declaration of Independence ;

Was taken up, read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Bogy, the bill was rejected.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to incorporate a Ferry in Platte county ;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

Mr. Doniphan, of P., offered the following amendment to the end of the first section :

Such boat to be propelled by steam and to be kept in good repair.

Also, strike out of the sixth section the words, "two miles," and insert "one mile" ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation being dispensed with.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the town of Union, in Franklin county, Missouri ;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Senate bills of the following titles, were taken up, severally read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed :

An act to authorize Benjamin Patten and John Patten, administrators of the estate of Thomas Patten, deceased, to collect certain taxes due to Greene county ;

An act for the relief of G. M. Taylor and others ;

An act amendatory of the act to incorporate the Merchants' Mutual Insurance Company, approved February 24, 1851.

Senate bill entitled,

An act directing in what manner and in what courts this State may be sued ;

Was taken up, read a first time, when,
Mr. Acock moved the rejection of the bill.

Pending which,
On motion of Mr. King,
The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The question being the rejection of Senate bill entitled,

An act directing in what manner and in what courts the State may be sued ;

It was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Graves :

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Bean, Bogy, Botts, Brady, Bradford, Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Dorriass, Dyer, Frost, Garth, Graves, Harrison, Hardin, Heryford, Hill, Jackson, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., McAfee, McCary, McFall, McMahan, McSpadden, Monro, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Neill, Parcells, Ritchey, Roberts, Sitton, Smith, of S., Tucker, Webb, Whitaker, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., and Wyatt—51.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Barrett, Blair, Bohannon, Breckinridge, Britten, Clippard, Cunningham, Donelan, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Field, Gentry, Gilstrap, Goode, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harris, Hardeman, Hickox, Howell, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFarland, McMurtry, Medley, Minor, Moore, Murray, Nevill, Patrick, Phillips, Pratt, Reid, Rollins, Shambaugh, Standiford, Todd, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—53.

Absent—Messrs. Blakey, Boyd, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Burnet, Davis, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Feagan, Holmes, Powers, Shelton, Smith, of Bollinger, Smith, of P., and White.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Guitar, McClain, of St. Clair, Morgan, Smith, of St. L., and Turner.

Sick—Messrs. Chilton, Harding and Houghton.

Excused from voting—Mr. Wall.

The bill was then read a second time, and,
On motion of Mr. Breckinridge, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that House bills of the following titles have passed the Senate :

- An act to define the boundaries of Osage and Pulaski counties ;
- An act to authorize the executors or administrators of James Ferguson to sell certain lands ;
- An act respecting the county court of St. Louis county, and the publication of official proceedings in said county ;
- An act to authorize the curator of James Prather, to lease lands ;
- An act to amend an act, entitled, an act to establish courts of record, and prescribe their powers and duties, approved March 27th, 1845 ;
- An act to build a bridge in Jefferson county ;
- An act to authorize the curator of the minor heirs of David R. Holt, dec'd, to lay off and sell town lots ;
- An act to incorporate the town of Fillmore ;
- An act for the relief of Martha J. Shirley ;
- An act to establish a State road from Greenville, in Wayne county, to Gillis's Bluff, on Black river, in Butler county ;
- An act declaring a certain County road in Harrison county, a State road ;
- An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Mutual Saving Institution, approved February 23d, 1853 ;
- An act providing for the improvement of Current river.
- An act concerning Roads and Highways in the county of Jefferson.
- The Senate has adopted House concurrent resolutions in relation to the Auditor of Public Accounts.
- The Senate has amended and passed, as amended, House bill entitled,
- An act to establish a State road in the counties of Lewis and Knox..

Mr. Bean asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Drake.

Mr. Todd, on leave, from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred Senate bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the St. Charles Ferry Company ;

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation being dispensed with.

Mr. Todd, on leave, from the same committee, to whom was referred Senate bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the American Insurance Company ;

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

Mr. Murray offered the following amendment :

Strike out "eight per cent," wherever it occurs, and insert "legal interest."

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation being dispensed with.

Mr. Harrison, on leave, from the majority of the Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred resolutions of instruction to the Committee on Ways and Means ;

Reported the same back, together with a letter from the Auditor of Public Accounts, a letter from the Attorney General, a communication

from the Auditor of Public Accounts, giving his reasons for not directing prosecution against the securities of the late Peter G. Glover, former treasurer of this State; and also a series of resolutions, expressing the sense of the said majority of said Committee, with reference to the matter referred to them, and recommended the adoption of said resolutions.

Mr. Lightner, on leave, from the minority of said committee, submitted a minority report.

On motion of Mr. Bogy,

The fourth, fifth and sixth resolutions of the majority of said committee were agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Blair,

One thousand copies of the majority and minority reports of said committee, together with the accompanying documents, were ordered to be printed.

Mr. Donelan asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Burnet.

Mr. Todd tendered his resignation as chairman of the Committee on Corporations, when,

Mr. Moseley, submitted the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That it is the desire of the members of this House, that the Hon. Albert Todd should retain his present position as chairman of the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Bogy,

The House adjourned.

FRIDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 23, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House that House bills of the following titles have passed the Senate:

An act to incorporate the Central High School,

An act for the benefit of L. A. and M. L. Labeaume;

An act to change the times of holding circuit courts in the counties of Lewis and Clark;

An act relating to certain lands sold by the State of Missouri;

An act to authorize the several county courts to sell swamp and overflowed lands;

An act to view and mark out a State road through Mercer county;

An act amendatory of an act to incorporate the trustees of the German Society of St. Louis;

An act for the benefit of John B. Williams, of Andrew county;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to amend and reduce into one, the several acts incorporating the town of Louisiana, and to organize the same into a city, approved March 10th, 1849;

An act to incorporate the Platte Mutual Insurance Company;
 An act to legalize the sales of certain sixteenth sections of lands, in Cedar county;

An act to annex fractional township No. 58, range 36, to township 58, range 35, in Andrew county;

An act to incorporate the United States Insurance company;

An act for the benefit of C. Freeman;

An act to change the time of holding courts in the Fifth Judicial Circuit;

An act authorizing the county courts of Gentry and Daviess counties to convey certain lands;

Joint resolutions for the benefit of James Claudsly, late Sheriff of Lafayette county, Missouri;

Memorial to Congress, asking a grant of land to the Western Missouri Railroad;

A bill to establish a State road from Plattsburg to Atchison;

An act for the enlargement of the asylum for the Deaf and Dumb;

An act to form a new county to be called Vernon.

The Senate has amended and passed, as amended, House bill entitled,

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to regulate proceedings in criminal cases, approved March 25th, 1845.

The Senate has agreed to House amendments to Senate bill entitled,

An act to amend an act entitled, an act providing for the Education of the Blind, approved February 27th, 1851.

Senate bills of the following titles have passed the Senate:

An act to pay the commissioners appointed to superintend finishing the capitol;

Amendments to the Constitution in relation to Banking.

The President of the Senate has signed enrolled Senate bills of the following titles:

An act to declare certain minors of age;

An act for the relief of Owen Rawlins and Allen Hamer;

An act to change a portion of a State road in Dade and Lawrence counties;

An act to authorize the county of Laclede to sell swamp and overflowed lands in said county;

An act to incorporate Saint Louis Medical College;

An act to amend an act entitled, "an act to incorporate Ste. Genevieve, Iron Mountain and Pilot Knob Plank Road Company;"

An act to change the name of John W. Sheekels;

An act to provide for paying Petit Jurors in Lawrence county;

An act to authorize Henry H. Beach to act as executor of Hugh Henry, deceased;

An act to establish a State road;

An act to incorporate the Institute of Civil Engineers, in St. Louis;

An act for the relief of Robert Taylor, of Cass county;

An act to vacate certain streets in the town of New Franklin, Howard county, Missouri;

An act to change the name of Emily F. Kelly to Emily F. Loper.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Governor:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
City of Jefferson, Mo., February 22d, 1855. }

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives :

GENTLEMEN : I have this day approved and signed bills of the following titles :

- An act in behalf of alien heirs and devisees ;
- An act to change the name of the town of Centerville, in Macon county, to that of Woodville ;
- An act attaching part of Cass to Bates county.

Very respectfully,
 STERLING PRICE.

Bills and other business from the Senate being still in order :

Senate bills of the following titles were severally taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed :

- An act for the relief of Frederick Bolte ;
- A bill amendatory of the charter of the city of Liberty ;
- An act changing the time of holding circuit courts in the county of Livingston ;
- An act to establish a ferry across the Missouri river ;
- An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Mechanics' Savings' Institution, at St. Louis, approved February 24th, 1853 ;
- A bill for the heirs of Wiley Dunn ;
- An act to change the name of Elizabeth Nabring ;
- An act for the relief of Thomas E. Thompson, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Marion county ;
- An act to authorize the appropriation of certain funds to the building a seminary of learning in the town of Frémont ;
- An act for the relief of Thomas Van Swearingen, late Judge of the Court of Common Pleas in the city of Hannibal ;
- A bill to encourage Agriculture.
- An act to authorize William Kirkpatrick, of the county of Johnson, to administer on the partnership estate of the firm of Kirkpatrick & McCormack.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with :

- An act to incorporate Washington College ;
- An act incorporate Warren Lodge No. 74, of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons ;
- An act to incorporate Howard Lodge No. 4, of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons ;
- An act to incorporate the Berlin Rope and Bagging Manufacturing Company ;
- An act to incorporate the stockholders of Carroll Academy ;
- An act to incorporate the Richmond Female College ;
- An act to incorporate the Lagrange Saving's Institution, in Lewis county ;

An act to incorporate the Commercial Insurance Company, of the city of St. Louis ;

An act to incorporate the Boonslick Hotel Company, of the town of Columbia ;

An act to incorporate the North Grand River Railroad Company ;

An act to incorporate the Engineer's Union Fire and Marine Insurance Company, of St. Louis.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally taken up, and disposed of as follows :

An act concerning the Treasurer and Public Administrator of Washington county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Brady, Bogy and Alexander.

An act to establish a ferry across the Mississippi river at a point in Marion county, opposite the city of Quincy, Illinois ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Gentry, Britton and McAfee.

An act to amend the charter of the city of St. Joseph ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Cunningham, Everett and Doniphan, of C.

A bill in relation to witness fees in St. Louis county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to a select committee consisting of the members from St. Louis county.

An act to ordain and establish a county court district ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when, Mr. Holmes offered the following amendment :

Strike out " Wayne," wherever it occurs in the bill, also strike out " four hundred dollars," in the fourth section, and insert " three hundred dollars ;"

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

A bill to incorporate the Dime Saving's Institution, of the city of St. Charles ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when, Mr. Smith, of S., offered the following amendment :

Strike out " eight per cent." and insert, " legal rate of interest ;"

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Lewis, of C., the vote on the passage of Senate bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the Lagrange Saving's Institution, in Lewis county,

Was reconsidered, when

Mr. Green, of Lewis, offered the following amendment to the first section :

Insert " general," before " laws regulating interest on money of the State ;"

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, the rule requiring the eyes and noses on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Mr. Sitton, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles :

An act respecting the county court of St. Louis county, and the publication of official proceedings ;

An act to build a bridge in Jefferson county ;

An act authorizing the Curator of the minor heirs of David R. Helt, deceased, to lay off and sell town lots.

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to establish Courts of Record and prescribe their duties," approved 27th March, 1845 ;

An act authorizing the executor or administrator of James Ferguson to sell certain lands ;

An act to incorporate the Jackson county Agricultural and Mechanical Association ;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Mutual Saving's Institution, approved Feb. 23, 1853 ;

Concurrent resolution in relation to the Auditor of Public Accounts ;

An act to incorporate the United States Insurance Company, of St. Louis.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed :

An act for the relief of the county of Cedar ;

An act concerning the school lands in township No. 53, range six, west ;

An act to change a certain school district in the county of Knox ;

A bill for the relief of William Morgan, Collector of Cape Girardeau county ;

An act for the relief of Jubal Hunt, and others ;

An act to change the location of a part of the State road leading from Boonville to Lexington ;

An act to change the name of D. K. Campbell to J. W. McFadden ;

An act to relieve James F. Scrugs, of Bates county, Missouri ;

A bill for the relief of Frances Tucker, of Platte county ;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Glasgow and Huntsville Plank Road Company, approved February 15th, 1851 ;

An act to amend an act establishing a State road from Lexington, in Lafayette county, to the county line of Johnson county ;

An act in reference to railroad stock and tax certificates held by executors and administrators ;

A bill to establish a State road from Weston to Atchison ;

An act repealing a portion of an act entitled, an act in relation to appeals and writs of error from certain Judicial Circuits in the State of Missouri, approved March 12th, 1849 ;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to establish a State road from the town of St. Charles to the town of Mexico, in Audrain county, approved February 11th, 1847 ;

An act to provide for paying jurors in the county of Cole ;

An act to supply the county of Gasconade copies of certain books ;

An act to change a portion of a State road leading from Tippecanoe, in Schuyler county, by way of Memphis, to Alexandria, in Clark county.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation being dispensed with:

An act to incorporate the Lexington and Utica Railroad;

An act to incorporate Florence Lodge No. 1, of the society of Workers;

An act to incorporate the Citizens' Mutual Saving Fund and Loan Association of St. Louis;

An act to incorporate the Parkville Insurance Company;

A bill to incorporate the Franklin Insurance Company;

An act to incorporate the Union Locomotive and Machine Shop Company;

A bill to incorporate St. Louis Cotton Factory;

An act to incorporate the town of Mexico, in Audrain county.

Senate bill entitled,

An act for the benefit of Masonic College;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time,

When Mr. Hughes offered the following amendment:

Add after the word "Lexington," "and William Jewell College, in Liberty, Clay county;"

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Field, was laid on the table.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

The Speaker announced the appointment of Mr. Brown, Assistant Enrolling Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Webb,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Bills and other business from the Senate being still in order:

Senate bill entitled,

An act to provide for the compensation of Assessors in Buchanan county;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Britton, on leave, from the select committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled,

An act to establish a ferry across the Mississippi river, at a point in Marion county, opposite the city of Quincy, Illinois;

Reported the same back, with amendments, and recommended its passage.

The amendments were then read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to regulate the rate of toll, at the mills of P. Skinner & Co., in Platte county;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time,

And, on motion of Mr. Dorriess, was laid on the table.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to incorporate a ferry in the county of Buchanan ;
 Was taken up, read a first time, and,
 On motion of Mr. Burnes, the further consideration of the bill was postponed until the first Monday in November next.

The Speaker, on behalf of John H. Tice, presented to the House of Representatives, to be placed in the Library, a book, called "The Teacher and Western Educational Magazine."

Mr. Davis, on leave, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the book presented by Mr. John H. Tice, of St. Louis, through this House to the State Library, called "The Teacher and Western Educational Magazine," be accepted by the House on the part of the Library, and that the thanks of this House be tendered to the donor for his valuable present.

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Mothershead,

Resolved, That the Hon. David R. Atchison, now in this city, on his way to his residence in Platte, be and he is hereby respectfully requested to visit his friends at the Capitol, who are anxious, both to see and pay their respects to him, and the Speaker is requested to appoint a committee to wait upon and notify him of the passage of this resolution.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Mothershead, Bogy and Boyd said committee.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to regulate fees of Clerks of County Courts in certain cases ;
 Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Brady, Reid and Jeffress.

Senate bill entitled,

An act for the relief of the citizens of Lawrence county ;

Was taken up and read a first time.

Senate bill entitled,

An act concerning Billiard tables in Ste. Genevieve and St. François counties ;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, and read a second time.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed :

An act amendatory of an act concerning perpetuating testimony ;

A bill extending the limits of the city of St. Charles ;

An act to authorize the County Court of Scotland county to borrow money for certain purposes ;

An act for the benefit of Lewis A. Summers, of Cooper county ;

An act for the relief of Robert C. Williams and Andrew Lockridge, of Daviess county, Missouri ;

An act concerning witnesses in criminal cases ;

An act better to provide for the support of the poor of St. Louis county ;

An act to furnish Wayne county certain books ;

An act repealing acts establishing certain State roads in Miller and Osage counties ;

An act to change the name of the Eliot Seminary ;

An act to authorize St. Louis county to levy special taxes ;

An act supplementary to an act providing for a Geological Survey;

An act to authorize the guardian of Oscar L. Peake to sell certain lands in Howard county, and for other purposes.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with:

An act to incorporate the Randolph County Mutual Fire Insurance Company;

An act to incorporate the St. Louis Rolling Mill Company;

An act to incorporate the St. Louis and Perry County Iron Mining Company;

An act to incorporate Wood's Academy, in the city of Louisiana.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Savings' Institution;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, When Mr. Breckinridge offered the following amendment to the first section:

Add to the end of section first the following words: "*Provided*, that no more than the legal rate of interest shall be charged on any money loaned thereby;"

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Doniphan, of C.,

The House took a recess for thirty minutes for the purpose of allowing members to see and pay their respects to the Hon. David R. Atchison.

After the expiration of the time for which the recess was taken,

The Speaker called the House to order, and resumed the regular order of business.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House, that House bills of the following titles have passed the Senate:

An act to authorize the county court of Cole county to change a portion of a State road.

A bill to authorize Mrs. Mary Mourtry to convey land;

An act to incorporate the Westport and Kansas Insurance Company;

An act to pay Grand Jurors in Schuyler county;

An act to authorize Joseph Leedom, Thomas McGoldrick and George Leedom to erect a mill-dam across the Chariton river, in Schuyler county;

An act to authorize Banister T. Unsill, to keep a ferry;

An act to pay James H. Darlington;

An act to incorporate the Mechanics' and Orphans' Savings' Institute of Louisiana;

An act to incorporate a Toll Bridge Company to erect a bridge across Big river, in Jefferson county;

An act to incorporate the town of Augusta, in the county of St. Charles;

An act to amend an act of incorporation of the Little Osage Literary Association;

An act to establish a ferry across Little river, in Dunklin county;
 An act for the relief of Robert Stewart, Collector of Pemiscot county;
 An act to incorporate the Ste. Genevieve Glass Company;
 An act concerning the Probate Court in Harrison county;
 An act for the benefit of the heirs of John Denney;
 An act to provide for the election of the County School Commissioners in the counties of Adair, Lewis and Franklin;
 A bill incorporating a ferry at the city of Louisiana;
 An act to provide for the paying of jurors in the county of Newton and McDonald;

An act to incorporate the town of Princeton, in Mercer county.
 An act in relation to the estate of Gorman and Bowen;
 An act to authorize the curator of the minor heirs of Cinthia Trotter, deceased, to sell real estate;
 An act to review and mark out a State road from Milan to Chillicothe;
 An act to establish a steam ferry at Jefferson City;
 A bill to pay School Commissioner in Cooper county;
 An act to incorporate the St. Louis Bagging and Rope Company;
 An act respecting the executors of Martin Kemper, deceased, late of Lincoln county;
 An act to relieve the county of Ray from the payment of jury fees in all suits of law that come into the circuit court of said county, by change of venue from other counties.

Mr. Britton, on leave, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled,

An act to authorize the county courts of Gentry and Daviess counties to convey certain swamp and overflowed lands to certain individuals;

An act for the benefit of John E. Williams, of Andrew county;
 Senate bills of the following titles were severally taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

An act for the sale of certain real estate, in Stone county;
 An act to amend chapter 180, Revised Statutes, entitled trespass;
 An act to change a State road in Audrain county;
 An act for the relief of M. F. Crouch, late Sheriff of Newton county.
 Senate bills of the following titles were severally taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

An act to incorporate the Central Cemetery Association of St. Louis;
 A bill to incorporate the Hope Company.

Senate bill entitled,
 A bill to incorporate Prairie Point Academy of Platte county;
 Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended and read second time.
 Senate bill entitled,

An act to expedite the construction of the Cape and Fulton Railroad of Missouri;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

Mr. Bogy offered the following amendment:
 Amend by inserting "six" in the blank in the first section;
 Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. McAfee moved to lay the bill on the table, pending which,
On motion of McAfee,
The House adjourned until 7 o'clock, this evening.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Bills and other business from the Senate being still in order,

The question before the House being the rejection of Senate bill entitled,

An act to expedite the construction of the Cairo and Fulton Railroad of Missouri.

The bill was, on motion, passed over until 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

Mr. McAfee asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Gilstrap.
Senate bill entitled,

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to establish the Lebanon Academy;

Was taken up, read a first time, when,

Mr. Phillips moved to suspend the rules to permit the bill to be read a second time;

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. McAfee:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Betts, Boyd, Brady, Bradford, Breekinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Burnes, Clark, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of O., Doniphan, of Platte, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Field, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Graves, Green, of Franklin, Green, of L., Harrison, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Holmes, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, Minor, Moore, Mouro, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Parcells, Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—89.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Howell, McAfee and McSpadden—4.

Absent—Messrs. Baker, Blakey, Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Burnet, Clippard, Crosswhite, Dodson, Donelan, Fant, Goode, Harding, Hill, Houghton, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., McFarland, McMahan, McMurry, Medley, Mothershead, Reid, Rollins, Smith, of B., and White.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Burnet, Drake, Gilstrap, Guitar, McClain, of St. C., and Morgan.

Sick—Messrs. Chilton, Cunningham, Feagan and Harris.

The bill was then read a second and third time and passed.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that House bills of the following titles have passed the Senate :

An act incorporating the Monroe County Agricultural and Mechanical Society ;

An act for the relief of M. T. Green, Sheriff of Daviess county ;

An act to incorporate the town of Chillicothe ;

An act to incorporate the St. Louis Ice Company ;

An act for opening and repairing public roads and highways, in the counties of Lincoln, Randolph, Warren, Montgomery, Johnson, Bates, Andrew, Hickory, Taney, Boone, Cole, Moniteau, Osage and other counties ;

A bill to establish a State road from Owen's ferry to the Iowa line ;

An act to incorporate the Missouri and California Overland Mail and Transportation Company ;

An act to incorporate Western Lodge, No. 53, of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons ;

An act to authorize the county court of Shannon to organize the Common Schools in said county by municipal townships ;

Concurrent resolutions requesting our Representatives in Congress to perform certain duties ;

A bill for the relief of Elizabeth Thornton ;

An act to pay Judges and Clerks of elections ;

An act concerning roads and highways, in Franklin county ;

An act to authorize the administrator of the estate of B. A. Ramsay, deceased, to sell real estate ;

A bill to pay the Factor of the Penitentiary for materials and work done on public grounds ;

An act for the relief of Levi Yates, late Assessor of Gentry county ;

An act to incorporate the St. Louis Six Penny Savings' Institute ;

An act for the relief of Edward E. Deitz ;

Joint resolution in relation to McCormick's reaper ;

An act for the relief of John B. Higdon, Elisha Browning, T. A. Kelly, William W. Gay, and H. Kelly and William D. Garrison, of Lawrence county ;

An act for the benefit of Sarah H. Barrow ;

An act to pay certain fees in Texas county ;

A bill for the relief of Robert Dysert, late Sheriff of Saline county ;

An act to incorporate the Chillicothe, Springfield and Bethany Graded Road Company ;

An act for the relief of Samuel Walker, of Atchison county ;

An act for the relief of James Saunders, of Callaway county ;

An act for the benefit of the Law Library Association of St. Louis ;

An act concerning the transportation of slaves by railroad companies ;

An act to incorporate Central College, at Fayette, Missouri ;

An act to incorporate the Western Missouri Railroad Company ;

An act reviving an act incorporating the town of Carrollton, in Carroll county ;

An act to incorporate the Western Insurance Company, of St. Louis.

An act to incorporate the trustees of the St. Louis College of Medical and Natural Science ;

An act to establish a house of refuge in St. Louis county ;

- An act to vacate a certain State road in Jackson county ;
 An act to authorize the county court of Ste. Genevieve county to levy a special tax, and for other purposes ;
 An act to incorporate the Bollinger county McAdamized Road Company ;
 An act for the incorporation of the town of Dauville ;
 An act explanatory of an act entitled, an act to authorize the formation of railroad associations and to regulate the same ;
 A bill to change a State road ;
 An act to authorize the county court of Moniteau county to rescind certain contracts made in relation to school land with Abram Hunter ;
 An act to incorporate the Daviess County Academy and Masonic Hall ;
 An act to authorize the sale of certain school lands in Chariton county ;
 An act to incorporate Golden Square Lodge, No. 107 ;
 An act to authorize the county court of Bates county to order the sale of the sixteenth section ;
 An act providing for the division of township school funds belonging to township 35, n., range 7, east ;
 An act to declare a certain road a State road ;
 An act for the benefit of Elizabeth Bone and her children ;
 An act for the relief of Mary Pane, executrix of Ballinger Pane, deceased, late of Holt county ;
 An act authorizing Otto Schwarz to convey certain lands ;
 An act for the securities of Robert Greer, late Collector of Clinton county ;
 An act to incorporate the town of Neosho ;
 An act to authorize Mathias Ray to sell 40 acres of land belonging to his nephew, William H. Ray, a minor ;
 An act to incorporate the Egyptian Levee Company ;
 An act to incorporate the town of New Market, in Platte county ;
 An act to authorize the county court of St. Francis and Ste. Genevieve counties to borrow the distributive share of the Internal Improvement fund accruing to said counties, and for other purposes ;
 An act to change a State road in Atchison county ;
 An act granting the Des Moines River Navigation and Railroad Company the right of way ;
 An act to allow Simpson Bergin to peddle without a license ;
 An act to authorize certain individuals to establish weighing scales in St. Louis county.

Mr. Britton, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles :

- An act relating to certain lands sold by the State ;
 An act providing for the improvement of Current river ;
 An act concerning roads and highways, in Jefferson county ;
 An act respecting the executors of Martin Kemper, deceased, late of Lincoln county.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed :

- An act concerning the road and canal fund, in Osage county ;

An act declaring a certain county road, in Lewis and Shelby counties, a State road;

A bill to change a portion of a State road in Shelby county.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the Aetna Insurance Company;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Senate resolutions entitled,

Joint resolutions to fit up a room in the capitol for the use of the Superintendent of Common Schools;

Were taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, and read a second time.

Mr. Bean offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the roll be called and each member be permitted to introduce one bill of a local character;

Which was adopted.

Propositions and motions being in order:

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed:

By Mr. Wyatt:

A bill in relation to the heirs of Robert Adkins, deceased.

By Mr. Yeats:

An act to authorize the guardian of Mary Ann Seppy to convey lands.

By Mr. Pratt:

A bill for the relief of James Patton and others.

By Mr. Sitton:

An act to regulate and pay Grand and Petit Jurors in the counties of Cape Girardeau, Gasconade and Osage.

By Mr. Todd:

An act for the relief of James C. Waugh and others.

By Mr. Williams, of D.:

An act to exempt the counties of Mercer and Daviess, from the operation of an act, approved March 3d, 1851, entitled, an act to provide for and laying out roads and highways in the several counties of this State.

By Mr. Wall:

An act to legalize the sale of lots in the town of Bloomfield, in Stoddard county.

By Mr. Turner:

An act granting certain powers to the county court of Callaway county.

By Mr. Shambaugh:

An act to relinquish escheated property.

By Mr. Smith, of St. L.:

An act supplementary to the several acts to incorporate the city of St. Louis.

Mr. Webb introduced a bill of the following title,

An act to locate a State road in Marion, Monroe and Ralls counties;

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Bean,

The rule was suspended, and the bill read a second and third time and passed.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read a first time,

rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with :

By Mr. Shelton :

An act to incorporate the Saint Joseph Extension Company.

By Mr. Patrick :

An act to incorporate the Mississippi Valley Joint Stock Insurance Company, of St. Louis, Missouri.

By Mr. Smith, of S. :

An act to incorporate the town of DeSoto.

Mr. Roberts, on leave, presented a petition from citizens of Mercer county, in relation to the licensing of grocerys and dram-shops ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Ritchey :

An act increasing the salaries of Circuit Attorneys ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Williams, of H. :

An act to repeal an act entitled, an act to amend an act entitled, an act concerning strays, approved March 8rd, 1851, and an act amendatory thereof, approved February 22nd, 1858 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, and read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Tucker,

Resolved, That the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence is hereby instructed to report a bill to the House, declaring whether a county to which a change of venue is taken, or the county from which said change is taken, shall pay the cost arising from such change; judges of courts having decided differently in different cases, and in different counties.

Mr. Whitaker introduced a bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the St. Louis and Illinois Bridge Company ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

Mr. Murray offered the following amendment :

Provided, that said company shall be responsible to owners of slaves in the State of Missouri, for any slave that shall be allowed to pass over said bridge to Illinois, without the written consent of the owner or owners of said slaves.

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Brown, of St. L., it was rejected.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Kelly,

The House adjourned.

SATURDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 24TH, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate has amended and passed, as amended, House bills entitled,

An act providing for the election of County Treasurer, County School Commissioner and Public Administrator in the counties of Daviess, Carroll, Ray, Caldwell, Clinton and DeKalb;

An act to make the offices of Public Administrator and County Treasurer in Henry county, elective;

Memorial to Congress for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad from the town of Savannah to the Iowa State line.

The Senate has rejected House bill entitled,

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to apportion representation, approved February 24th, 1853.

The Senate has reconsidered, amended and passed, as amended, House bill entitled,

An act to change the time of holding circuit courts in the counties of Lewis and Clark.

A bill of the following title has been introduced in the Senate and passed:

An act to make the County School Commissioner of Harrison county, elective.

The Senate has rejected Senate proposed Constitutional amendments entitled,

Constitutional amendments requiring all laws to be general.

House bills of the following titles have passed the Senate:

An act to amend an act entitled, an act concerning the school moneys belonging to the county of Oregon;

An act concerning Ferries in Franklin and Jefferson counties;

An act to provide for the election of County Treasurer and Public Administrator of Franklin county, and to increase the pay of the County Judges of Franklin county;

An act to abolish a part of a State road leading from Huntsville, in Randolph county, to Glasgow, in Howard county;

An act to incorporate the Boonville Library Reading Room and Thespian Association;

An act to incorporate the town of Gallatin;

An act to incorporate the Eagle Temperance Union, No. 11;

An act to incorporate the Howard County Agricultural and Mechanical Association;

An act to incorporate the Mt. Pleasant College, at Huntsville, in Randolph county;

An act to declare John E. Bull, a miner, of full age;

An act declaring Wm. Heryford, jr., of age;

An act for the relief of Thomas Lane;

An act to extend the corporate limits of the town of Columbia;

An act concerning costs in the case of the State vs. Grant;

An act to incorporate Plattsburg Lodge No. 113, Free and Accepted Masons;

An act authorizing the county court of Chariton county to construct toll bridges;

A bill to amend an act entitled, "an act to fix the time of holding courts in the 12th Judicial Circuit;"

An act to authorize the county court of Wayne county to use the road and Canal and Internal Improvement Funds ;

An act confirming the organization of Stone county ;

An act to authorize Henry Teague to sell certain lands ;

An act to pay Post Jurors in the counties of Dallas and Dade.

The President of the Senate has signed enrolled House bills entitled,

An act to build a bridge in Jefferson county ;

An act respecting the county court of St. Louis, and the publication of official proceedings in said county ;

An act declaring a certain county road in Harrison county, a State road ;

An act to incorporate the United States Insurance Company, in St. Louis ;

An act to incorporate the Jackson County Agricultural and Mechanical Association ;

An act to amend an act entitled, "an act to incorporate the Mutual Saving's Institution," approved Feb. 23d, 1853 ;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to establish Courts of Record and prescribe their powers and duties, approved March 27th, 1845 ;

Concurrent resolutions requiring the Auditor to settle with certain persons ;

An act to authorize the Curator of the heirs of David R. Holt, deceased, to lay off and sell town lots ;

An act to authorize the executor or administrator of James Ferguson to sell certain lands.

The Speaker announced the appointment of Mr. Risley, as an Assistant Enrolling Clerk.

Mr. Clark asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Tucker ;

The question being on the rejection of Senate bill entitled,

An act to expedite the construction of the Cairo and Fulton Railroad, of Missouri,

Mr. McAfee withdrew his motion to reject the bill.

Mr. McAfee moved that the farther consideration of the bill be postponed until the second Monday in November next ;

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Darnes :

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Botts, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Crosswhite, Darby, Davis, Dyer, Fant, Garth, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Heryford, Hill, Howell, Jackson, Jeffers, Jennings, Jones, Layton, McAfee, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McCulloch, McFall, McSpadden, Minor, Monroe, Morrow, Mothersead, Murray, Nevill, Parcells, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of S., Standiford, Turner and Whitaker—51.

NOES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Boyd, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Buford, Barnes, Clippard, Clark, Cravens, Cunningham, Darnes, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of Clay, Dual-

phan, of P., Dorriass, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Gentry, Goode, Hardin, Hickox, Holmes, Hughes, Isbell, Kelly, King, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, McCarty, McMahan, McMurry, Moore, Moseley, Mott, Neill, Patrick, Phillips, Rollins, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Todd, Tucker, Wall, Webb, White, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—62.

Absent—Messrs. Blakey, Brown, of St. L., Gilstrap, McFarland, Medley and Smith, of B.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Burnet, Drake, Guitar, McClain, of St. C., and Morgan.

Sick—Messrs. Bullock, Chilton, Harris, Houghton and Williams, of D.

The bill was then read a third time, when,

Mr. Murray offered the following amendment, by way of ryder:

Amend by adding after the first section,

Provided, that none of said bonds, nor any part of the proceeds thereof, shall ever be appropriated to the payment of any debt already contracted by said Company, nor to any other purpose whatever than to the further prosecution of the work, and any disposition made of the same by said Company, or any of its agents, contrary to the provisions of this section, shall be null and void; *provided*, that nothing herein contained shall work a forfeiture of any *bond fide* sale of said bonds, made to convert the same into available means;

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. Field moved to reject the ryder;

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Botts:

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Blair, Bogy, Brady, Bradford, Britton, Brown, of N., Buford, Burnes, Clippard, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Dorriass, Everett, Fagg, Farrar, Field, Green, of F., Hickox, Holmes, Isbell, Jeffress, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, McMurry, Moore, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Neill, Patrick, Phillips, Rollins, Smith, of Pettis, Smith, of St. L., Todd, Tucker, Wall, Whitaker, White, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—52.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Davis, Dyer, Ewing, Fant, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Graves, Green, of Lewis, Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hill, Howell, Hughes, Jackson, Jennings, Jones, Lewis, of C., McAfee, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McCulloch, McFall, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Mingo, Monroe, Mothersead, Murray, Nevill, Parcells, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of S., Standford, Turner and Williams, of H.—59.

Absent—Messrs. Blakey, Brown, of St. L., Feagan, Frost, Gilstrap, McFarland, Webb and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Siak—Messrs. Bullock, Chilton, Harris, Houghton and Smith, of B.

The ryder was then read a second and third time and agreed to.
On motion of Mr. Bogy,
The House adjoured.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The question being on the passage of Senate bill entitled,

An act to expedite the construction of the Cairo and Fulton Railroad of Missouri.

Mr. Blair offered the following amendment by way of ryder:

Amend first section of the bill, by striking out all before the last proviso, and inserting the following:

As often as the Cairo and Fulton Railroad Company shall produce to the Governor this State, proof satisfactory to him, of the total amount of money derived by such company from the payment of *bond fide* stock subscriptions, or from other sources (other than State bonds) not creating or entitled to any lien on such road, and that said amount of money has been in good faith, applied to the surveying, locating, constructing and equipping such road, it shall be the duty of the Governor to cause to be issued and delivered to such company bonds of the State in such form of bond as required by the former acts granting the State credit, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding six per cent. per annum, to an amount that together with the total amount of State bonds previously issued to said company, under this or any former law, shall be equal to the amount so proved by such companies, as aforesaid, to have been expended from the stock and other resources of said company, not creating or entitled to any lien on such road; *Provided*, that the total amount of bonds issued or to be issued to said company, by the State under this law, shall not exceed the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time agreed to.

The question then being on the passage of the bill, it was decided in the negative by the following vote; the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Darnes:

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of St. Louis, Buford, Burnes, Clippard, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Field, Gentry, Geede, Green, of L., Hickox, Holmes, Hughes, Isbell, Kelly, King, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McFarland, McMurtry, Moore, Moseley, Mott, Neill, Patrick, Phillips, Rollins, Smith, of Pettis, Smith, of St. L., Todd, Tucker, Wall, White, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—56.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Brown,

of J., Brown, of N., Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dyer, Fant, Feagan, Frost, Garth, Graves, Green, of F., Harrison, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hill, Howell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Layton, McAfee, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, McSpadden, Minor, Monro, Morrow, Nevill, Parcells, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambagh, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of S., Standiford, Turner, Webb, Whitaker and Williams, of H.—56.

Absent—Messrs. Davis, Donelan, Medley, Mothersead and Murray.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Burnet, Drake, Gilstrap, Guitar, McClain, of St. C., and Morgan.

Sick—Messrs. Bullock, Chilton, Harris, Houghton, Smith, of B., and Williams, of D.

Mr. Boyd gave notice that he would on Monday next, move to reconsider the vote, rejecting Senate bill entitled,

An act to expedite the construction of the Cairo and Fulton Railroad of Missouri.

Mr. Lightner, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, a bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the St. Louis and Illinois Bridge Company.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate has passed House bills of the following titles :

An act to incorporate the town of De Soto ;

An act for the relief of Anderson McCampbell, of Callaway county ;

An act to incorporate the St. Joseph Extension Company ;

An act to incorporate the St. Louis and Illinois Bridge Company ;

The President of the Senate has signed enrolled House bills of the following titles :

An act to authorize the county courts of Gentry and Daviess counties to convey certain swamp and overflowed lands to certain individuals ;

An act concerning roads and highways in the county of Jefferson ;

An act providing for the improvement of Current river ;

An act respecting the executor of Martin Kemper, deceased, late of Lincoln county ;

An act for the benefit of John R. Williams, of Andrew county ;

An act to incorporate the St. Louis and Illinois Bridge Company ;

An act relating to certain lands sold by the State of Missouri.

The Senate respectfully requests the House to return to the Senate, House bill entitled,

An act to regulate proceedings in criminal cases.

The President of the Senate has signed enrolled Senate bills entitled,

An act to district the county of Marion for the purpose of the election of Judges of the county court ;

An act to amend an act entitled, " an act providing for the Education of the Blind ;"

An act for the relief of the heirs of Daniel Davis, late of St. Louis county;

An act for the relief of Frederick Miller and Thomas McCarthy;

An act to incorporate the St. Louis Gymnastic Society;

An act to change a portion of a State road in Greene county;

An act to incorporate the Caledonia Steam Mill Company;

An act to regulate and pay Grand and Petit Jurors in Franklin county;

An act to change a portion of a State road leading from Springfield to Forsythe;

An act for the benefit of C. J. Drury, of Montgomery county;

An act to establish a State road from Warrensburg, in Johnson county, to Richard Berry's, on the boundary line, in Cass county;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to establish a Probate Court in the city of Hannibal;

An act to declare James M. Nelson of age;

An act to incorporate the town of Union, in Franklin county, Missouri;

An act to incorporate the St. Charles Ferry Company;

An act amendatory of the act to incorporate the Merchants' Mutual Insurance Company, approved February 24th, 1851;

An act for the relief of the heirs of Wm. Cawfield, deceased;

An act for the relief of G. W. Kelly, former Collector of Greene county;

An act increasing the fees of Justices of the County Court of Jefferson county;

An act to establish a Probate Court in the county of Scott;

An act to change a State road in Marion county;

An act to reduce the compensation of the Collector of the Revenue of St. Louis county;

An act to amend an act entitled, "an act to incorporate the city of Weston;"

An act amendatory of an act entitled, "an act to incorporate the city of Lagrange," approved February 24th, 1853;

An act to incorporate the town of Frémont, in Cedar county;

An act amendatory of an act entitled, "an act to incorporate the Howard County Mutual Fire Insurance Company," approved February 22d, 1853.

An act to pay Petit Jurors in Shelby county;

An act to authorize Benj. Potter and Jne. Potter, administrators of the estate of Thos. Potter, deceased, to collect taxes due in Greene county.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Governor:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
City of Jefferson, Mo., February 24, 1855. } .

To the Honorable the House of Representatives :

GENTLEMEN : I have this day approved and signed bills of the following titles :

An act authorizing the executor or administrator of James Ferguson to sell certain lands ;

An act to authorize the curator of the heirs of David R. Holt, deceased, to lay off and sell town lots ;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to establish courts of record and prescribe their powers and duties, approved March 27th, 1845 ;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Mutual Savings' Institution, approved February 28d, 1853.

An act to incorporate the Jackson County Agricultural and Mechanical Association ;

An act declaring a certain County road in Harrison county a State road ;

An act respecting the County Court of St. Louis and the publication of official proceedings in said county ;

An act to build a bridge in Jefferson county ;

An act to incorporate the United States Insurance Company of St. Louis ;

A concurrent resolution requiring certain duties of the Auditor of Public Accounts.

Very respectfully,
STERLING PRICE.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the Ste. Genevieve and Current River Railroad Company ;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Bogy,

The further consideration of the bill was postponed until the second Monday in November next.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to incorporate Prairie Point Academy of Platte county ;

Was taken up, when

Mr. Doniphan, of P., offered the following amendment to the seventh section :

Add after the words "school tax," "for building school houses."

Also add to the end of the seventh section, "so long as a school is kept in said academy ;"

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Senate bill entitled,

An act concerning Billiard tables in Ste. Genevieve and St. François counties ;

Was taken up, when

Mr. Clippard offered the following amendment :

Insert after "Ste. Genevieve and St. François," "Cape Girardeau ;"

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Bogy, it was rejected.

The bill was then read a third time and passed by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Bean :

AYES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnes, Clark, Cravens,

Cunningham, Darnes, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Dorris, Everett, Fagg, Farrar, Frost, Graves, Green, of L., Hardeman, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Hughes, Isbell, Jennings, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McAfee, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McMurtry, Minor, Moore, Monro, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Phillips, Reid, Rollins, Shambaugh, Sitton, Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Standiford, Todd, Webb, White and Yeats—62.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Bean, Boyd, Brady, Bradford, Britton, Brown, of N., Buford, Clippard, Crosswhite, Darby, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Dyer, Ewing, Fant, Feagan, Field, Garth, Gentry, Goode, Green, of F., Harrison, Hardin, Heryford, Jackson, Jeffress, Jones, King, Lightner, McCary, McFall, McMahan, McSpadden, Murray, Parcells, Pratt, Ritchey, Roberts, Tucker, Turner, Whitaker, Williams, of H., and Mr. Speaker—45.

Absent—Messrs. Harding, Kelly, McFarland, Medley, Powers, Shelton, Smith, of P., Wall and Wyatt.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Messrs. Brown, of St. Louis, Bullock, Chilton, Harris, Houghton, Smith, of B., and Williams, of D.

Mr. Boyd moved a reconsideration of the vote rejecting Senate bill entitled,

An act to expedite the construction of the Cairo and Fulton Railroad of Missouri;

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Davis:

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Buford, Barnes, Clippard, Clark, Cravens, Cunningham, Darnes, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Dorris, Fagg, Farrar, Field, Frost, Gentry, Goode, Hickox, Holmes, Hughes, Isbell, King, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McFarland, McMahan, McMurtry, Minor, Moore, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Neill, Patrick, Phillips, Rollins, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Todd, Tucker, Wall, White, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—59.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Botts, Boyd, Brown, of J., Crosswhite, Darby, Davis, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fant, Feagan, Garth, Graves, Green, of F., Harrison, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hill, Howell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, McAfee, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McSpadden, Morrow, Murray, Nevill, Parcells, Pratt, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of Sullivan, Standiford, Turner, Webb and Whitaker—48.

Absent—Messrs. Green, of Lewis, Harding, Kelly, Layton, McCary, Medley, Monro, Powers and Reid.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before

On motion of Mr. Wall,

The further consideration of the bill was postponed until the second Monday in November next.

Senate bill entitled,

An act for the relief of the citizens of Lawrence ;

Was taken up, read a second time, and,

On motion, the further consideration of the bill was postponed until the second Monday in November next.

On motion of Mr. Botts,

The House adjourned.

MONDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 26TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that bills of the following titles have passed the Senate :

A bill concerning guardians, curators and minors ;

An act providing for printing the report of the State Geologist.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted :

WHEREAS, In the dispensation of an All-wise Providence, it hath been His pleasure to chasten us, by calling away from amongst us, after a few brief hours of affliction, one of our members, Dr. W. J. McMurry, of Carroll county ; therefore, be it resolved,

First. That each member of this House wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days.

Second. That a Committee of five members of this House be appointed a Committee to superintend his interment, from the Pacific Hotel at 3 o'clock, this afternoon.

Third. That the members of this House will attend in a body, a funeral discourse, to be delivered on the occasion of his decease, at 3 o'clock this afternoon, in this Hall, by the Rev. J. Boyle.

Fourth. That the Clerk of the House be required to communicate a copy of these resolutions to the family of the deceased.

The Speaker announced the appointment of Messrs. Cunningham, Mc-

Carty, McFarland, Moseley and Dodson as the Committee, under the second of the foregoing resolutions.

On motion of Mr. Davis,

The House adjourned until 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 27TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate has agreed to House amendments to Senate bills entitled :

An act to incorporate the American Insurance Company ;

An act to ordain and establish a County Court District.

House bills of the following titles have passed the Senate :

An act concerning the sale of real estate, in Randolph county ;

An act in relation to swamp lands, in the counties of New Madrid, Pemiscot, Mississippi, Cape Girardeau, Stoddard, Wayne, Ripley, Butler and Dunklin.

Bills of the following titles have passed the Senate :

An act to incorporate the St. Louis Savings' Institution ;

An act to amend the School law.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed :

A bill amendatory of an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Camden Point Female Academy ;

An act to increase the salaries of Circuit Attorneys ;

An act to provide for the recording of Land Patents.

Mr. Lightner, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles :

An act to establish a house of refuge, in St. Louis county ;

An act to incorporate the Missouri and California Overland Mail and Transportation Company ;

An act to authorize certain individuals to establish weighing scales, in St. Louis county ;

An act to incorporate the Six Penny Savings' Institution, of St. Louis ;

An act to incorporate the St. Louis Ice Company, of St. Louis ;

An act to incorporate the trustees of the St. Louis College of Medical and Natural Sciences ;

An act to incorporate the St. Louis Bagging and Rope Company ;

An act to incorporate the National Insurance Company, of St. Louis ;

An act for the relief of Edward F. Deitz ;

An act to provide for the election of County Treasurer and Public Administrator, in Franklin county ;

An act concerning roads and highways, in Franklin county ;

An act to incorporate the St. Joseph Extension Company ;

An act incorporating the Howard County Agricultural and Mechanical Society ;

An act to incorporate the Boonville Library, Reading Room and Thespian Association ;

An act to incorporate Mt. Pleasant College, at Huntsville, in Randolph county ;

An act to incorporate the Golden Square Lodge, No. 107 ;

An act for the relief of Anderson McCampbell, of Callaway county ;

An act to authorize the county court of Ste. Genevieve county to levy a special tax and for other purposes ;

An act to authorize the county courts of St. François and Ste. Genevieve counties to borrow the distributive share of the internal improvement fund accruing to said counties, and for other purposes.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Governor :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
City of Jefferson, Mo., February 24th, 1855. }

To the Hon., the House of Representatives :

GENTLEMEN: I have this day approved and signed bills of the following titles :

An act respecting the executors of Martin Kemper, deceased, late of Lincoln county ;

An act relating to certain lands sold by the State of Missouri ;

An act for the benefit of John R. Williams, of Andrew county ;

An act providing for the improvement of Current river ;

An act to authorize the county courts of Gentry and Daviess counties to convey certain swamp and overflowed lands to certain individuals ;

An act concerning roads and highways in the county of Jefferson ;

An act to incorporate the St. Louis and Illinois Bridge Company.

Very respectfully,

STERLING PRICE.

Mr. Bean, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles :

An act for the relief of the securities of Robert Greer, late Collector of Clinton county ;

An act to pay judges and clerks of elections ;

Joint resolution for the benefit of James Cloudsly, late Sheriff of Lafayette county, Missouri ;

An act for the relief of John B. Higdon, Elisha Browning, T. A. Kelly, William W. Gay, O. H. Kelly and William D. Garrison, of Lawrence county ;

An act to declare a certain County road a State road ;

An act to authorize the administrator of the estate of B. A. Ramsey, dec'd, to sell certain real estate ;

An act for the relief of Samuel Walkup, of Atchison county ;

- An act to allow Simpson Bergen to peddle without license ;
- An act to authorize Matthias Ray to sell 40 acres of land, belonging to his nephew, William H. Ray, a minor ;
- An act for the relief of M. T. Green, Sheriff of Daviess county ;
- An act concerning the transportation of slaves by railroad companies ;
- An act to change the time of holding courts in the fifth judicial circuit ;
- An act to pay certain fees in Texas county ;
- An act providing for a division of township school funds belonging to township 35, N., range 7, East ;
- An act explanatory of an act entitled, an act to authorize the formation of Railroad Associations, and to regulate the same ;
- An act amendatory to an act to incorporate the trustees of the German Society of St. Louis ;
- Joint resolution in relation to McCormick's reaper ;
- Bill for the relief of Robert Dysart, late Sheriff of Saline county ;
- An act to authorize the county of Shannon to organize the common schools in said county, by municipal townships ;
- An act for the benefit of Levi Yates, late Assessor of Gentry county ;
- An act to vacate a certain State road in Jackson county ;
- Concurrent resolutions requesting our representatives in Congress, to perform certain duties ;
- A bill to pay the Factor of the Penitentiary for materials and work done on public grounds ;
- A bill to establish a State road from Plattsburg to Atchison ;
- An act reviving an act incorporating the town of Carrollton, in Carroll county ;
- An act to authorize the several county courts to sell swamp and overflowed lands ;
- An act for the enlargement of the Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb ;
- An act for the benefit of Elizabeth Thornton ;
- An act declaring William Heryford, Jr., of age ;
- An act for the benefit of the Law Library Association of St. Louis ;
- An act authorizing the county court of Chariton county to construct toll bridges ;
- An act to authorize the sale of certain school lands in Chariton county ;
- An act for the benefit of Elizabeth Bone and her children ;
- An act to authorize Thomas Arnold, to sell lands of his ward ;
- An act to authorize the county court of Bates county, to order the sale of the Sixteenth section ;
- An act incorporating the Daviess County Academy and Masonic Hall ;
- An act to incorporate the Chillicothe, Springhill and Bethany Graded Road Company ;
- An act to incorporate the town of New Market, in Platte county ;
- An act for the relief of James Saunders, of Callaway county ;
- An act authorizing Otto Schwarz, to convey lands ;
- An act to incorporate Weston Lodge, No. 58, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons ;
- An act to change a State road in Atchison county ;
- An act to incorporate the town of Neosho.
- On motion of Mr. Heryford,
- Resolved*, That the Chairman of the Committee on Accounts be au-

thorized to make out the allowance of any member, up to the fifth of March inclusive, and that the Auditor be authorized to audit and allow the same from and after Friday next, the 2d instant.

Mr. Heryford offered the following resolution:

Resolved, by the House of Representatives, that we will not entertain any new proposition, after getting through the roll, nor any Senate bill on the 5th day of March, next.

Which was, on motion of Mr. Lewis, of C.,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Brady, on leave, introduced joint resolution entitled,

Joint resolution in relation to the Secretary of State;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Bills and other business from the Senate being still in order:

Senate bill entitled,

An act for furnishing to certain offices, the Public Statutes and Reports of the Supreme Court, and for other purposes;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. McAfee:

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Boyd, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Bullock, Burnes, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Dorriass, Dyer, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Field, Gentry, Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Isbell, Kelly, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McColloch, McFall, Medley, Minor, Moore, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Nevill, Parcells, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of St. Louis, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—63.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Bean, Botts, Brown, of N., Buford, Clipard, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Donelan, Everett, Fant, Frost, Garth, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harding, Hill, Howell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jones, King, McAfee, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McMahan, McSpadden, Monroe, Neill, Roberts, Shelton, Smith, of B., Standiford, Wall, Webb, Whitaker and White—41.

Absent—Messrs. Brown, of St. L., Feagan, Heryford, Holmes, Hughes, Jennings, McFarland, Murray, Phillips, Powers, Sitton and Smith, of Pettis.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Burnet, Drake, Gilstrap, Guitar, McClain, of St. C., and Morgan.

Sick—Messrs. Acock, Chilton, Goode, Houghton, Rollins and Smith, of B.

Senate bill entitled,

A bill concerning guardians, curators and minors;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

An act to allow Simpson Bergen to ped
 An act to authorize Matthias Ray to
 to his nephew, William H. Ray, a minor
 An act for the relief of M. T. Gre
 An act concerning the transportation
 An act to change the time of

State Geologist;
 read a second time
 engrossed, and

quit;
 An act to pay certain fees in
 An act providing for a division
 township 35, N., range 7, F
 An act explanatory of
 tion of Railroad Association
 An act amendatory
 man Society of St. I

Joint resolution
 Bill for the relief
 An act to authorize
 schools in said

and passed by the following vote,
 by Mr. Bean:

An act for
 An act to
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 Murray,
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at, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Botts, Breckin-
 brown, of N., Buford, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard,
 ons, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Donelan, Dorris,
 field, Frost, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harris,
 Hardin, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Isbell, Jeffress, King, Lay-
 Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McAfee, McLane, of Cape
 McSpadden, Minor, Moore, Monro, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead,
 Nevill, Parcels, Patrick, Reid, Ritchey, Smith, of St. L., Smith,
 Standiford, Todd, Turner, Wall, Webb, White and Yeats—63.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Bean, Bogy, Boyd, Bradford, Brit-
 ton, Clark, Darby, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Dyer,
 Everett, Fant, Feagan, Garth, Gentry, Harrison, Harding, Heryford,
 Hickox, Hughes, Jackson, Jeunings, Jones, Kelly, McFall, McFarland,
 McMahan, Medley, Morrow, Neill, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Roberts,
 Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of P., Tucker, Whitaker, Williams, of D.,
 Williams, of Henry, and Wyatt—46.

Absent—Messrs. Brady, Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Farrar, McCary,
 McCarty, McCulloch and Sitton.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Senate bill entitled,

A bill amendatory of an act entitled, an act to incorporate Camden
 Point Female Academy;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time,
 and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Senate joint resolutions entitled,

Amendments to the Constitution in relation to banking;

Were taken up and read a first time.

Senate bills entitled,

An act to pay the
ing of the Capitol
An act to provide
Were taken up
third time and
Mr. Britton
led, bills
act to
to

House the answer of the Attorney General
the defalcation of the late Treasurer of

two hundred copies ordered to be

following resolution:

Representatives, the Senate concurring,
or to be appointed by the Pre-
representatives, to be appointed
to investigate the subject
Treasurer, and settle his
to the two Houses of the

*Mr. Cunningham, on leave,
which were read a first time
and passed, the rule
suspended, being disposed
in the county of...*

*An act to incorporate
the town of...
On motion of...
The House...*

An act authorizing the
An act concerning the
An act to pay James H.
An act authorizing the county

School Commissioner an additional

An act to form a new county to be called

An act to view and mark a State road from
by Dyer's mill, in Grundy county, to Chillicothe,

An act to view and mark out a State road from
county, through Mercer county;

An act to incorporate the town of Fillmore.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to make the County School Commissioner of Harrison
elective;

Was taken up, read a first time, when,

Mr. Breckinridge moved to lay the bill on the table;

Which was decided in the negative.

The rule was then suspended and the bill read a second and third time
and passed.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to amend the school law;

Was taken up, read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Darnes, the bill was passed over.

Mr. Cunningham, from the committee to whom was referred Senate
bill entitled,

An act to amend the charter of the city of St. Joseph;

Reported the same back with amendments, and recommended its passage.

The amendments were then read a first time, rule suspended, read a
second time, and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Cunningham, on leave, introduced bills of the following titles:

Which were read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third
time and passed.

An act to authorize Bela M. Hughes, curator of the estates of Paul
Coburn and William B. Richardson, to sell certain lands in the State of
Illinois;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to change the name of the town
of Bloomington, in Buchanan, to that of DeKalb, and to incorporate the
same, approved February 28th, 1851.

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Mr. Cunningham, on leave, introduced bills of the following titles:
Which were read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

An act to incorporate a Farmers' and Mechanics' Savings' Institution, in the county of Buchanan;

An act to incorporate the St. Joseph City Company.

On motion of Mr. Blakey,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Bills and other business from the Senate being still in order:

Senate bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the St. Louis Savings' Institution;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Senate resolution, entitled,

Joint resolution to fit up a room in the Capitol for the use of the Superintendent of Common Schools;

Was taken up, read a third time and passed.

House bills of the following titles were severally taken up, and the Senate amendments thereto read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and agreed to.

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad Company.

Memorial to Congress for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad from the town of Savannah, to the Iowa State line;

An act to change the time of holding circuit courts in the counties of Lewis and Clark;

An act to establish a State road in the counties of Lewis and Knox;

An act concerning the Columbia and Missouri River Plank Road Company;

An act to authorize Isaac Grey to keep a ferry across the Des Moines river, at the town of Athens, in the county of Clark, Missouri;

An act providing for the election of County Treasurer, County School Commissioner and Public Administrator in the counties of Daviess, Carroll, Ray, Caldwell, Clinton and DeKalb.

House bill entitled,

An act to make the offices of Public Administrator and County Treasurer, in Henry county, elective;

Was taken up, and the Senate amendment thereto was read a first time and disagreed to.

Mr. Motherhead, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to vacate certain streets in the town of Athens, in Gentry county,

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

The Speaker laid before the House the answer of the Attorney General to House resolutions, relating to the defalcation of the late Treasurer of this State ;

Which was laid on the table and two hundred copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Blair, on leave, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, By the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, that a committee consisting of one Senator to be appointed by the President, and two members of the House of Representatives, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House, shall be created to investigate the subject of the defalcation of Peter G. Glover, late Treasurer, and settle his accounts with the State and report the same to the two Houses of the Legislature for their approval;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Reid, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to aid in the construction of the Pacific Railroad ;

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. Heryford moved to lay the bill on the table ;

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Mothersead :

AYES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Bean, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Brown, of N., Bullock, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dyer, Everett, Garth, Gentry, Graves, Harding, Hardeman, Heryford, Hill, Howell, Jackson, Jennings, Jones, McCary, McCulloch, McFall, McMahan, McSpadden, Monro, Morrow, Mothersead, Parcells, Phillips, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of Sullivan, Turner, Wall, Whitaker, Williams, of D., and Wyatt—45.

NOES—Messrs. Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Buford, Burnes, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Dorriass, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Field, Frost, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harrison, Harris, Hardin, Hickox, Holmes, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McAfee, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McFarland, Medley, Minor, Moore, Moeley, Mott, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Sitton, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Webb, White, Williams, of Henry, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—68.

Absent—Messrs. Davis, Donelan, Feagan and Rollins.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Britton, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles :

An act for opening and repairing public roads and highways in the counties of Lincoln, Randolph, Warren, Montgomery, Johnson, Bates, Andrew, Hickory, Taney, Boone, Cole, Moniteau and Osage ;

An act to incorporate the town of Princeton, in Mercer county ;

An act to amend an act entitled, "an act to amend and reduce into one the several acts incorporating the town of Louisiana, and to organize the same into a city," approved March 10th, 1849 ;

An act in relation to the estate of Gorman and Bowen ;

An act to relieve the county of Ray from the payment of jury fees in all suits at law that come into the Circuit Court of said county, by a change of venue from other counties ;

An act to provide for the paying of jurors in the counties of Newton and McDonald ;

An act to authorize the Curator of the minor heirs of Sinthe Trotter, deceased, to sell real estate ;

An act to incorporate the Central High School ;

An act to incorporate Central College, at Fayette, Missouri ;

An act to incorporate Plattsburg Lodge, No. 118, of Free and Accepted Masons ;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to fix the times of holding courts in the Twelfth Judicial Circuit ;

An act to incorporate the Bollinger and Wayne County McAdamized Road Company ;

An act to authorize the county court of Moniteau county to rescind certain contracts made in relation to school lands with Abram Hunter ;

An act to establish a State road from Owen's Ferry to the Iowa line ;

An act confirming the organisation of Stone county.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that the President of the Senate has signed enrolled House bills entitled :

An act to incorporate the St. Joseph Extension Company ;

An act to incorporate Mt. Pleasant College, at Huntsville, in Randolph county ;

An act to authorize the county courts of Saint François and Ste. Genevieve counties to borrow the distributive share of the Internal improvement Fund accruing to said counties, and for other purposes ;

An act for the relief of Edward F. Deits ;

An act concerning roads and highways in Franklin county ;

An act to authorize the county court of Ste. Genevieve county to levy a special tax, and for other purposes ;

An act to provide for the election of County Treasurer and Public Administrator in Franklin county ;

An act incorporating the Howard County Agricultural and Mechanical Society.

An act to incorporate the Six Penny Saving's Institution, of St. Louis ;

An act to incorporate Golden Square Lodge No. 107 ;

An act to incorporate the St. Louis Ice Company, of St. Louis ;

An act to incorporate the St. Louis Bagging and Rope Company ;

An act to incorporate the Trustees of the St. Louis College of Medical and Natural Sciences ;

An act to incorporate the National Insurance Company, of St. Louis ;

An act to establish a House of Refuge in St. Louis county ;

An act to incorporate the Boonville Library, Reading Room and Thespian Association ;

- An act for the relief of Anderson McCampbell, of Callaway county;
- An act to change the time of holding courts in the 5th Judicial Circuit;
- An act to authorize Thomas Arnold to sell lands of his ward;
- An act to authorize certain individuals to establish weighing scales in St. Louis county;
- An act to incorporate the Missouri and Overland Mail and Transportation Company;
- An act to allow Simpson Bergen to peddle without a license;
- An act authorizing Matthias Ray to sell 40 acres of land belonging to his nephew, Wm. H. Ray, a minor;
- An act providing for a division of township school funds belonging to Township 35, N., range 7, east;
- An act for the enlargement of the Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb;
- An act to authorize the sale of certain school lands in Chariton county;
- An act for the relief of John B. Higdon, Elisha Browning, Wm. W. Gay, O. H. Kelly and Wm. D. Garrison, of Lawrence county;
- An act to authorize the county court of Cole county to direct the administrator of the estate of B. A. Ramsay, deceased, to sell certain real estate;
- An act for the relief of the securities of Robert Greer, late Collector of Clinton county;
- An act for the relief Samuel Walkup, of Atchison county;
- An act to authorize the county of Shannon to organize the Common Schools in said county by municipal townships;
- An act to vacate a certain State road in Jackson county;
- An act for the relief of Robt. Dysart, late Sheriff of Saline county;
- An act to pay certain fees in Texas county;
- An act concerning the transportation of slaves by railroad companies;
- An act for the relief of M. T. Green, Sheriff of Daviess county;
- An act amendatory of an act donating certain swamp and overflowed lands to the counties in which they lie, approved March 3d, 1851;
- An act to establish a State road from Plattsburg to Atchison;
- An act for the benefit of Levi Yates, late Assessor of Gentry county;
- An act to pay the Factor of the Penitentiary for materials and work done on public grounds;
- An act declaring a certain county road to be a State road;
- An act to revive an act entitled, an act to incorporate the town of Carrollton, in Carroll county, approved March 12th, 1849;
- An act to incorporate Weston Lodge, No. 53, of Free and Accepted Masons;
- An act to change a State road in Atchison county;
- An act to authorize the county court of Chariton county to construct toll bridges;
- An act to incorporate the town of New Market, in Platte county;
- An act for the benefit of Elizabeth Bone and her children;
- An act declaring Wm. Heryford, jr., of age;
- An act to incorporate the Chillicothe, Spring Hill and Bethany Graded Road Company;
- An act incorporating the Daviess County Academy, and Masonic Hall;
- An act to amend an act entitled, "an act concerning school moneys belonging to the county of Oregon," approved Feb. 18th, 1851;
- An act for the relief of James Saunders, of Callaway county;

- An act authorizing Otto Schwarz to convey lands ;
- An act to authorize the sale of certain school lands in Bates county ;
- An act for the benefit of Elizabeth Thornton ;
- An act for the benefit of the Law Library Association of St. Louis ;
- An act to incorporate the town of Neosho ;
- An act to pay Judges and Clerks of elections ;
- An act to incorporate the Egyptian Levee Company ;
- An act explanatory of an act entitled, an act to authorize the formation of railroad associations, and to regulate the same ;
- An act amendatory to an act entitled, "an act amendatory to an act entitled," an act to incorporate the trustees of the German Society of St. Louis, approved March 3d, 1851 ;
- Joint resolution for the relief of James Clowdsley, late Sheriff of Lafayette county ;
- Joint resolutions in relation to McCormick's Reaper ;
- Joint resolutions instructing our Senators in Congress ;
- An act to form a new county to be called Vernon ;
- An act to incorporate the Westport and Kansas Insurance Company ;
- An act to establish a Steam Ferry at Jefferson City ;
- An act to incorporate the town of Fillmore ;
- An act to view and mark out a State road from Trenton, in Grundy county, through Mercer county ;
- An act to view and mark out a State road from Milan, in Sullivan county, by Dyer's Mills, in Grundy county, to Chillicothe, in Livingston county ;
- An act authorizing the County Court of Cooper county to pay the County School Commissioner additional compensation ;
- An act to pay James H. Darlington ;
- An act concerning the Probate Court in Harrison county ;
- An act to authorize Banister T. Unsill, to keep a ferry ;
- An act to amend an act of incorporation of the Little Osage Literary Association ;
- An act granting an exclusive privilege to keep a ferry.

Mr. McAfee moved the rejection of bill entitled,
 An act to aid in the construction of the Pacific Railroad.
 Mr. Heryford moved to postpone the bill until the first Monday in November next ;
 Pending which,
 On motion of Mr. Smith, of S.,
 The House adjourned until 7 o'clock, this evening.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate has substituted, and indefinitely postponed the substitute for House bill entitled,

An act in relation to Bottlers, Manufacturers and Venders of Soda Water, Ale, Porter and other beverages, in St. Louis county.

The Senate has agreed to House amendment to Senate bill entitled,
A bill regulating interest on money.

The Senate has substituted and passed, for House bill entitled,
An act for the benefit of the heirs of Larkin Bates, deceased.

A bill entitled,

An act to authorize the Register of Lands to issue certain Patents.

The Senate has amended and passed, as amended, House bill entitled,
An act to incorporate the American Savings' Institution.

House bills of the following titles have passed the Senate:

A bill to incorporate the Morrison House Company in the city of St. Charles ;

Joint resolution in relation to the Secretary of State.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate :

A bill to establish the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, and for other purposes;

An act granting the right of way through State lands to certain railroads, and for other purposes;

An act to grant the States' right to certain lands ;

Proposed amendments to the Constitution in relation to per diem of members of the General Assembly.

Bills of the following titles have passed the Senate :

A bill to expedite the construction of the Mississippi Valley Railroad North ;

An act in relation to the Marshal of the Supreme Court ;

An act concerning the Public Administrator of Saline county ;

An act to authorize county courts to alter or abolish State roads under certain circumstances ;

An act to incorporate the Quincy Bridge Company ;

An act to amend an act to restrain intercourse with Indians ;

An act to incorporate the Great Western Fire and Marine Mutual Insurance Company of St. Louis ;

An act to provide for the payment by the State of judicial salaries in St. Louis county ;

An act regulating the time of payment of money falling due upon holidays ;

A bill for the relief of Martha McDaniel, minor heir of J. B. McDaniel, late of Laclede county ;

An act entitled, "an act to reduce the law incorporating the city of St. Louis, and the several acts amendatory thereof, into one act, and to amend the same ;"

An act to incorporate the Allen Iron Company ;

An act to incorporate the Mound City Mutual Insurance Company of St. Louis ;

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed :

An act to incorporate Carthage Female Academy ;

Joint resolution for the benefit of Warwick Hough ;

An act to incorporate the Western Savings' Institution ;

An act to incorporate the Great Republic Insurance Company of St. Louis ;

An act appointing trustees to receive and dispose of certain property belonging to the Ozark Presbytery;

An act to aid in the construction of the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad;

An act to amend "an act in relation to grocerys and dram-shops," approved March 25th, 1845.

An act regulating proof of qualification to vote;

A bill to incorporate the Laclede Railroad Company;

An act to pay witnesses before grand juries in the counties of Harrison, DeKalb and Daviess;

An act to extend an act authorizing the crection of a toll bridge across the Meramec river;

An act to incorporate Cooper Lodge No. 36, of Free and Accepted Ancient Masons at Boonville, in Cooper county;

A bill for the relief of L. Shepherd, of Platte county;

An act to pay costs in Platte county;

An act changing the time of holding courts in the third judicial circuit;

An act to pay costs in Platte county;

A bill to organize Webster county;

An act concerning title to State lands;

An act to incorporate the Empire Bagging, Rope and Twine Manufactory;

An act concerning Insurance Companies incorporated in this State;

A bill to alter the line dividing the counties of Dade and Jasper;

An act to license and regulate foreign Insurance Companies.

Propositions and motions being in order:

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed:

By Mr. McSpadden:

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to regulate elections, approved March 28th, 1845.

By Mr. Medley:

An act to hasten the liquidation of the debt of Cole county.

By Mr. Morrow:

An act supplementary to and amendatory of an act to incorporate the city of Boonville.

By Mr. Monro:

An act to pay jurors in Livingston county.

By Mr. Moseley:

An act amendatory of an act for a uniform jury law, in New Madrid and other counties.

By Mr. Mott:

An act concerning the swamp lands in the counties of Scott, Cape Girardeau, Mississippi, New Madrid, Pemiscot, Dunklin, Ripley, Wayne and Butler.

By Mr. Mothersead:

An act to establish a State road from Athens, in Gentry county, to Snell's Mills, in Harrison county.

By Mr. Parcells:

An act to authorize the county court of Adair county to borrow money.

By Mr. McAfee:

An act for the benefit of Sarah S. Williams and others.

By Mr. McFarland:

An act to change the name of Mrs. Emma Route.

By Mr. McMahan:

An act to appoint the time of holding an election in Benton county to fill the vacancy in the office of clerk of the circuit court in said county.

By Mr. McLane, of Cape G.:

An act regulating the election of county court justices in Gasconade county.

By Mr. McColloch:

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Benton Mining Company.

By Mr. Moore:

An act to incorporate the town of Belmont;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

By Mr. Murray:

An act to facilitate the opening of roads and highways;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

By Mr. Minor:

An act for the relief of Littleton H. Cook, late Sheriff of Schuyler county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, and read a second time.

Mr. McCarty called up House bill entitled,

An act to pay Petit Jurors in Barry county;

Which was read a third time and passed.

By Mr. McCarty:

An act concerning elections;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when, Mr. Mothersead offered the following amendment:

Insert "Gentry, Osage, Gasconade, Daviess and Grundy;"

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

By Mr. Neill, on leave:

The petition of George W. Jones and others, praying for a change in a State road;

Which was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

By the same, on leave:

The petition of citizens of Lafayette county praying for a State road.

Which was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

By Mr. McFall, on leave:

The petition of John W. Boyd, of Jasper county;

Which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Lightner introduced concurrent resolutions entitled,

Resolutions against religious intolerance and against the proscription of adopted citizens;

Which were read a first time, when,

Mr. Minor moved to lay the resolutions on the table, which was deci-

ded in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Kelly :

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Cravens, Field, Gentry, Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Lewis, of St. L., McSpadden, Minor, Moore, Patrick, Tucker, Wyatt and Yates—19.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Brady, Britton, Brown, of St. Louis, Burnes, Clippard, Clark, Crosswhite, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Frost, Garth, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harrison, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McAfee, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McFarland, Medley, Morrow, Moseley, Murray, Neill, Parcells, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Sitton, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of Sullivan, Standiford, Todd, Turner, Wall, Whitaker, Williams, of H., and Mr. Speaker—76.

Absent—Messrs. Botts, Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Chilton, Darby, Doniphan, of Platte, Ewing, Howell, Jackson, McCary, McMahon, Monro, Mott, Mothersead, Nevill, Phillips, Shambaugh, Shelton, Webb, White and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Burnet, Gilstrap, Guitar, McClain, of St. C., and Morgan.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Darnes moved to refer the resolutions to the Committee on Federal Relations ;

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Blair :

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Breckinridge, Britton, Burnes, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of Clay, Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Frost, Garth, Gentry, Graves, Green, of L., Harrison, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Hughes, Jones, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, McCary, McCarty, McFarland, McSpadden, Moseley, Neill, Parcells, Patrick, Ritchey, Roberts, Todd, Wall, Williams, of Henry, and Yates—49.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Barrett, Blair, Bogy, Boyd, Bradford, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Cravens, Donelan, Fant, Farrar, Field, Green, of F., Harding, Hardeman, Hardin, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Kelly, King, Layton, Lightner, McAfee, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, Medley, Minor, Morrow, Murray, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Sitton, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Standiford, Tucker, Turner, Whitaker, Wyatt and Mr. Speaker—46.

Absent—Messrs. Botts, Brady, Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Chilton,

Darby, Howell, Jackson, McMahan, Moore, Monroe, Mett, Motherhead, Nevill, Phillips, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton, Webb, White and Williams of Daviess.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

On motion of Mr. Smith, of P.,
The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 28TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.
Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that the President of the Senate has signed Enrolled Senate bills of the following titles :

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Mechanics' Savings' Institution, at St. Louis, approved February 24th, 1853 ;

An act for regulating the times of holding certain courts in the county of St. Louis, and for other purposes ;

An act to incorporate the North Missouri Hotel Company, of the city of St. Charles ;

An act to incorporate the Union Locomotive and Machine Shop Company ;

An act to incorporate the Dime Saving's Institution, of St. Louis ;

An act repealing certain acts establishing State roads in Miller and Osage counties ;

An act to amend the charter of the Globe Mutual Insurance Company of St. Louis ;

A bill to incorporate St. Louis Cotton Factory ;

An act to establish and define the boundaries of the counties of Wright and Greene ;

An act to incorporate the Citizens' Mutual Saving Fund and Loan Association of St. Louis ;

An act concerning the Natural Bridge Plank Road Company ;

An act to incorporate the Carondelet Marine Railway and Dock Company ;

A bill to encourage Agriculture ;

An act to incorporate the Missouri Wine Company ;

An act authorizing St. Louis county to levy special taxes ;

An act for the relief of Frederick Bolte ;

An act to incorporate Florence Lodge No. 1, of the society of Workers ;

An act for the benefit of Masonic College ;

An act to incorporate the Engineer's Union Fire and Marine Insurance Company, of St. Louis;

An act in reference to railroad stock and certificates held by executors and administrators;

An act to incorporate the St. Louis and Perry County Iron Mining Company;

An act to establish a Ferry across the Missouri river, between the termination of the Central Plank Road in the county of St. Louis, and Howell's Ferry landing, in St. Charles county;

An act to incorporate the Franklin Insurance Company of the city of St. Louis;

An act supplementary to an act providing for a Geological Survey;

An act to incorporate the Boatman's Insurance Company;

An act to incorporate Washington College.

House bills of the following titles have passed the Senate:

An act to establish Georgetown Female Institute;

An act to establish a State road from Fulton to Portland, in Callaway county;

An act to authorize the erection of a toll bridge across the Chariton river, at Ninevah, in Adair county;

An act for the relief of Peter Jones, of Butler county;

A bill to change a State road in Miller county;

An act to change the time of holding circuit courts in the county of Dent;

An act for the relief of Wm. A. Whitehead, Collector of Stoddard county;

An act to provide for laying out and repairing roads and highways in the counties of Boone and Cole;

An act for the relief of Gabriel Helms, a free man of color;

An act to view and mark out a State road from Westport, in Jackson county, to the south-west corner of the State;

An act to prevent trespasses in the county of Atchison;

An act to authorize the county court of Taney county to borrow money;

An act concerning the duties of Sheriff and Marshal, in the county of St. Louis, in relation to the levy and sale of such property under execution of attachment as may be claimed by third persons;

An act regulating the practice of issuing process in justices' courts in the city of St. Louis;

An act for the benefit of Sarah Manuel, of Cape Girardeau county;

A bill for the relief of David Mitchell;

An act respecting the Independence and Missouri River Railroad Company in Jackson county;

An act concerning the recording in Lewis county;

An act for the relief of S. P. Williams, of Johnson county;

An act amendatory of an act to authorize the formation of associations to construct Plank Roads and McAdamized Roads, approved February 27th, 1851;

An act to legalize a State road;

An act to quiet titles in the city of Weston;

An act in relation to selling liquor in the county of Platte;

An act authorizing a free boy of color to remain in this State until he arrives at the age of 21 years;

An act to incorporate the St. Joseph Hotel Company;

An act to authorize the sale of certain real estate in Warren county, for partition;

An act concerning the Glasgow Insurance Company;

An act to incorporate the Pleasant Retreat Female Seminary in the city of Boonville;

An act for the benefit of the Treasurers of the counties of Pemiscot, Sullivan and Bollinger;

An act to change the names of John E. Baker and Polly Ann Robinson, of Oregon county;

An act to change the names of Peter Hintershitt and five others;

An act amendatory of an act, for the benefit of Congressional Townships, Nos. 51 and 52, in Carroll county;

Memorial of the General Assembly of Missouri, asking a grant of land to aid in completing a Geological Survey of the State;

An act to declare certain parts of the Public Square, in Bloomington, Macon county, added to the alleys as a public highway;

A bill to incorporate the Clay County Agricultural and Mechanical Association;

An act for the benefit of Jo. B. Smith, Collector of Buchanan county;

An act declaring certain acts of the county court of Jasper county valid, and repealing an act establishing a Probate Court in said county;

An act to incorporate the St. Joseph Ice Company;

An act to establish a State road from the mouth of Lion to Honatan;

An act for the relief of a certain school district in Lafayette county;

A bill to change the name of Eliza Jane Gunby;

An act concerning evidence;

An act to incorporate the Bergen High School;

An act to authorize the county court of Clinton county to apportion certain school moneys;

An act to establish a State road from the town of Lura, in Clark county, to the Iowa line, in Scotland county;

An act to establish a State road in the county of Atchison;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to change a State road in Boone county;

Memorial relating to the Mississippi Valley Railroad North;

An act to provide for pay of Petit Jurors in Atchison county;

A bill to change a State road from Springfield to Buffalo;

An act to establish a State road from the Benton county line to Warrensburg, in Johnson county;

A bill to change a State road from Springfield to St. Louis;

A bill for the relief the heirs of Urbana Billingsly;

An act appropriating money for the support and enlargement of the State Lunatic Asylum;

An act to incorporate the Lafayette County Mutual Fire Insurance Company;

An act to authorize Helena Muller, of St. Charles county, to sell real estate;

An act to authorize the sale of real estate;

An act to incorporate Monticello Lodge, No. 58, of Free and Accepted Masons;

An act to authorize the sale of real estate;

An act to incorporate Friendship Lodge, No. 89, of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons;

An act concerning the conveyance of certain real estate;

An act for the incorporation of Agricultural and Mechanical Societies in the counties of Ralls, Lincoln and Pike;

An act to incorporate the Callaway County Home Mutual Fire Insurance Company; and also the Cole County Home Mutual Fire Insurance Company;

An act to incorporate the Melville Male and Female Academy;

An act to authorize Green B. Griffith to keep a ferry;

An act for the benefit of Bailie Payton;

An act amendatory of all acts in relation to the Ste. Genevieve big field;

An act to legalize and perfect a deed of conveyance from John Bradley and wife to Marcellus F. Dunn;

The Senate has postponed until November next, House bill entitled;

An act to mark out and open a State road in Monroe county;

Mr. Sitton, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles:

An act concerning costs in the case of the State vs. Grant;

An act to extend the corporate limits of the town of Columbia;

An act for the relief of Thomas Lane;

An act to establish a State road in the counties of Lewis and Knox;

An act to declare John E. Bull of full age;

An act to authorize the county court of Wayne county to use the road and canal and internal improvement funds;

An act concerning the sale of real estate in Randolph county;

An act to pay Petit Jurors in the counties of Dallas and Dade;

An act to change a State road in Greene county;

An act to abolish a part of the State road leading from Huntsville, in Randolph county, to Glasgow, in Howard county;

An act to incorporate the town of Gallatin;

An act for the benefit of Sarah H. Burnam;

Joint resolution in relation to the Secretary of State;

An act incorporating the Monroe County Agricultural and Mechanical Society;

An act to incorporate the city of Chillicothe;

An act concerning ferries in Jefferson and Franklin counties;

An act to incorporate Eagle Temperance Union, No. 11.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Governor:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
City of Jefferson, Mo., February 27, 1865. }

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives:

GENTLEMEN: I have this day approved and signed bills of the following titles:

- An act for the benefit of Levi Yates, late Assessor of Gentry county;
- An act for the relief of Robert Dysart, late Sheriff of Saline county;
- An act authorizing the county court of Cole county to direct the administrator of the estate of B. A. Ramsay, deceased, to sell certain real estate;
- An act to pay the Factor of the Penitentiary for materials and work done on public grounds;
- An act to pay certain fees in Texas county;
- An act for the relief the securities of Robert Greer, late Collector of Clinton county;
- An act declaring a certain county road a State road;
- An act concerning the transportation of slaves by railroad companies;
- An act for the relief of Samuel Walkup, of Atchison county;
- An act to authorize the sale of certain school lands in Bates county;
- An act to incorporate the town of New Market, in Platte county;
- An act to amend an act entitled, an act concerning school moneys belonging to the county of Oregon, approved February 18th, 1851;
- An act to authorize Banister F. Unsill to keep a ferry;
- An act to view and mark out a State road from Milan, in Sullivan county, by Dyer's mill, in Grundy county, to Chillicothe, in Livingston county;
- An act to establish a steam ferry at Jefferson City;
- An act to incorporate the Westport and Kansas Insurance Company;
- An act to pay James H. Darlington;
- An act to view and mark out a State road from Trenton, in Grundy county, through Mercer county;
- An act to amend the act of incorporation of the Little Osage Literary Association;
- An act granting the exclusive privilege to keep a ferry;
- An act concerning the Probate Court in Harrison county;
- An act to form a new county to be called Vernon;
- An act authorizing the county court of Cooper county to pay the County School Commissioner an additional compensation;
- An act to incorporate the Egyptian Levee Company;
- An act for the benefit of Elizabeth Thornton;
- Joint resolution instructing members of Congress to use all honorable means to prevent the renewal of the expired patent for certain reaping and mowing machines;
- An act for the benefit of the Law Library Association of St. Louis;
- An act to incorporate the town of Fillmore.
- An act to incorporate the Boonville Library, Reading Room and Thespian Association;
- An act for the benefit of Elizabeth Bone and her children;
- Concurrent resolution requesting members of Congress to procure an order from the President of the United States, restoring to sale all lands lying north of the township line dividing townships 29 and 30;
- An act to incorporate the town of Neesho;
- An act declaring Wm. Haryford, jr., of age;
- An act incorporating the Daviess County Academy, and Masonic Hall;
- An act amendatory to an act entitled, "an act amendatory to an act to incorporate the trustees of the German Society of St. Louis," approved March 3d, 1851;

An act authorizing the county court of Charlton county to construct toll bridges;

Joint resolution for the relief of James Clewdaley, late Sheriff of Lafayette county, Mo.;

An act to pay Judges and Clerks of elections;

An act for the relief of James Sanders, of Callaway county;

An act to change a State road in Atchison county.

Very respectfully,

STERLING PRICE.

Propositions and motions being still in order:

Mr. Bean offered resolutions of the following title:

Concurrent resolution in relation to printing the journals;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Britton offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That no member shall speak more than ten minutes on any

or question.

Mr. King moved to lay the resolution on the table;

Which was decided in the negative.

Mr. Todd offered the following amendment:

Amend by substituting twenty minutes, instead of ten minutes; which

was

On motion of Mr. Britton, rejected.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Moseley introduced a bill entitled,

An act to pay the funeral expenses of W. J. McMintry, deceased;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Darby offered the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, the Committee on Accounts, in view of the unusual expenses to which members of the present General Assembly have been subjected, in consequence of the extraordinary prices of board, &c., and have determined to allow mileage by the river route, or constructive mileage to each member of the House; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we hereby approve the action of the Committee in regard to this matter, believing it to be just and proper, under all the circumstances;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Clippard offered the following resolution;

Resolved, That the House dispense with the regular order of business until they get through calling the roll;

Which was laid on the table.

The question then being to postpone until the first Monday in November next, the consideration of House bill entitled,

An act to aid in the construction of the Pacific Railroad;

Was passed over for the present.

On motion of Mr. Darnee, House bill of the following title:

An act to amend an act entitled "an act to provide for the organization, support and government of Common Schools in the State of Missouri";

Was taken up, and,

The motion of Mr. Britton, the bill was considered by sections.

Mr. Frost offered the following amendment to the eighteenth section of the first article, and also to the first section of the second article of an act entitled, "an act to provide for the organization, support and government of Common Schools, in the State of Missouri," approved February 24th, 1853.

Amend section eighteen of article one, by striking out the same.

Amend section one of article two, by striking out all of the same after the word "moneys," and insert in the place thereof, the following as part of said section one, of article two.

The Superintendent of Common Schools shall, in the month of May in each year, apportion the State school moneys amongst the several counties in this State, in proportion to the number of white children therein, above the age of five and under the age of twenty years, as shall appear from the last annual reports ;

Which was read a first time, when

Mr. Doniphan, of C., offered the following amendment to the amendment :

The same shall be apportioned to the different townships in the county, organized and unorganized, in proportion to the number of children in each, between the ages of five and twenty years, and where the township shall have any organized town or district, the same shall be apportioned to such town or district, in the same manner, although a part of said township may not be organized ; *provided*, that when any township or part of a township shall not be organized, the School Commissioner shall withhold their proportion of said fund, until they shall organize, and the same shall be loaned out and invested as other school moneys for their use, until they shall organize, if, in the opinion of the Commissioner it is, or in two years will be, practicable for them to organize ; but if he shall be of opinion that it is impracticable for any township or part of a township to organize, then he shall distribute to said unorganized township or part of township, as other school moneys are required to be distributed ;

Which was read a first time and accepted by Mr. Frost.

Mr. Blair moved to lay the first clause of Mr. Frost's amendment on the table ;

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and nays being demanded by Mr. Frost :

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Brady, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Cunningham, Darby, Donelan, Dr. Ke, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gen'ry, Green, of F, Harding, Harris, Jeffers, Layton, Lewis, of C. Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McLane, of Cape G., Medley, Morrow, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Rollins, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Todd, Tucker, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—43.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Blakey, Bogy, Bohannon, Botte, Boyd, Bradford, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Dorris, Frost, Garth, Graves, Green, of L., Harrison, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Hughes, Isbell, Jackson, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, McAfee, Mc-

Cary, McCarty, McColloch, McFall, McFarland, McMahan, McSpadden, Minor, Monroe, Moseley, Mott, Motherhead, Murray, Nevill, Parcells, Phillips, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Sitten, Smith, of S., Standiford, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of D., and Williams, of H.—73.

Absent—Messrs. Powers, Smith, of B., and Wyatt.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Burnet, Gilstrap, Guitar, McClain, of St. C., and Morgan.

Sick—Messrs. Goode, Houghton, Howell and Moore.

Mr. Kelly offered the following amendment to the amendment :

This section shall be so construed as to include the children of the organized public schools in the city of St. Louis, and of all other cities, towns and villages in the State ;

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. Britton moved to lay the amendment and the amendment to the amendment, on the table ;

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Britton :

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Brady, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of St. L., Cunningham, Darby, Donelan, Drake, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fant, Farrar, Fagg, Feagan, Field, Gentry, Green, of F., Harrison, Harding, Harris, Jeffers, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, McLane, of Cape G., McFarland, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Rollins, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Todd, Tucker, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—42.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Blakey, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Bradford, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of Clay, Doniphan, of P., Dorriss, Frost, Garth, Graves, Green, of L., Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Hughes, Isbell, Jackson, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, McAfee, McCarty, McCulloch, McFall, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Monroe, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Motherhead, Murray, Nevill, Parcells, Phillips, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Sitten, Smith, of S., Standiford, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., and Wyatt—75.

Absent—Messrs. Powers and Smith, of B.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Britton offered the following amendment to the amendment :

Strike out "first of May," and insert "first of February ;"

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Minor, was laid on the table.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that House bill of the following title has passed the Senate:

An act to pay the funeral expenses of W. J. McMurtry, deceased.

The amendment was then read a second time and agreed to by the following vote, the ayes and nees being demanded by Mr. Britton:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Blakey, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Bradford, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Dorris, Frost, Garth, Graves, Green, of L., Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Hughes, Isbell, Jackson, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, McAfee, McGary, McCarty, McCulloch, McFall, McMahan, McSpadden, Minor, Mouro, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Mothershead, Murray, Nevill, Parcells, Phillips, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambagh, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of S., Standiford, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., and Wyatt—74.

NOES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Breckinridge, Britton, Cunningham, Darby, Donelan, Drake, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Gentry, Green, of Franklin, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Jeffress, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McLane, of Cape G., McFarland, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Rollins, Smith, of St. L., Todd, Tucker, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—38.

Absent—Messrs. Brady, Brown, of St. L., Field, Medley, Powers, Smith, of B., and Smith, of P.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House that the Senate has passed resolutions respectfully requesting the House to return to the Senate, House bills of the following titles:

An act to provide for laying out and repairing roads and highways in the counties of Boone and Cole;

An act to reduce the law incorporating the city of St. Louis, and the several acts amendatory thereof, into one act, and to amend the same;

Mr. Bean, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, House bill entitled,

An act to pay the funeral expenses of W. J. McMurtry, deceased.

On motion of Mr. Blakey,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The following amendments, reported by Mr. Breckinridge from the Committee on Education, to an act entitled,

An act to provide for the organization, support and government of Common Schools in the State of Missouri, approved February 24th, 1858,

Were severally taken up and disposed of as follows:

First. Amend section 9, article 1, by adding the following words: Said Superintendent shall reside at the seat of government of the State, and shall keep and occupy an office in the capital building;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and agreed to.

Second. Amend section 23, article 1, by striking out the first subdivision thereof, and substituting in lieu thereof the following: *First.* To visit the various portions of the State, and deliver public lectures upon subjects connected with common school education; if in his judgment it should be necessary or advisable to do so;

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. Hardin moved its rejection;

Which was decided in the negative.

Mr. Bean offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Strike out the word "if," where it occurs in the fourth line, and insert the word "when," and strike out the words "should be," in the same line, and insert the words "shall be deemed;"

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The amendment as amended, was then read a second time and agreed to.

Third. Amend subdivision 2, section 23, article 1, by striking out the same, and substituting therefor the following: *Subdivision 2.* To communicate with the commissioners of common schools throughout the State, and aid them in collecting and disseminating information in regard to the plan and construction of school houses; prepare a course of uniform instruction, and make such recommendations for the establishment of school district libraries as are deemed most expedient;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Fourth. Amend section 3, article 2, by adding the following words: Every town or village having a population of two hundred inhabiting the same, shall form one school township within the meaning of this act; *Provided, however,* that said town or village shall be entitled to receive the distributive share of all State, county and township school funds, according to the number of white children resident therein, over the age of five and under the age of twenty years, in the same manner as though not separated from the township or townships in which it may be situated; *Provided further,* that all land laid off or sold for town lots, and lying adjacent to said town or village, shall be held to be embraced within the limits of said town or village;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Fifth. Amend section 5, article 2, by adding the following words: Upon the petition of a majority of the qualified voters therein;

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. Benn offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Strike out the word "thus," where it occurs in the sixth line of the sixth section of article second, of the act approved February 24th, 1858;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The amendment as amended, was then read a second time and agreed to.

Sixth. Amend section 6, article 2, by striking out of the same, the words: "Upon petition of a majority of qualified voters thus cut off," occurring in the tenth and eleventh lines of said section;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Seventh. Amend section 1, article 3, by adding the following words: *Provided*, that after the expiration of the term of office of any commissioner of common schools appointed under the provisions of this act, or in case of vacancy in said office, the county court of each county shall have power, in its discretion, to appoint the clerk of the county court commissioner of common schools for said county, who, when so appointed, shall discharge all the duties imposed by this act, upon the commissioner of common schools, except as provided in subdivision 5, of section 27, of article 2, and except, also, so far as the said county commissioner may be required to examine and grant certificates to teachers, which duty shall, when said office of county commissioner is filled, as herein provided, by the clerk of the county court, be discharged by the trustees of the proper district, and shall be subject to all the provisions of this act regarding said office: *Provided also*, that when the clerk of the county court of any county in this State shall be thus appointed commissioner of common schools, the county court of said county shall allow said clerk for his services as commissioner of common schools, such sum or sums of money as yearly compensation therefor, in addition to his salary as clerk of the county court, as shall seem to the said court to be just and proper, for which amount so allowed, the said county court shall draw a warrant on the county treasurer, payable out of any money appropriated for county purposes in the treasury—and the provisions of section four of this article, shall apply to all cases, except to those in which as above provided, the clerk of any county court may be appointed commissioner of common schools.

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. Harding offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Strike out the following out of the ninth line:

And except, also, so far as the county commissioners may be required to examine and grant certificates to teachers, which duty shall, when said office of county commissioner is filled, as herein provided, by the clerk of the county court, be discharged by the trustees of the proper district;

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Benn, rejected.

The amendment was then read a second time and agreed to.

Eighth. Amend subdivision 3, section 3, article 3, by striking out the same, and substituting therefor the following: Subdivision 3: To visit and inspect every district school in his county at least once during the

year; inquire into the regulation and discipline thereof, and the proficiency of the scholars; direct the general course of instruction, as the same may be prescribed by the Superintendent of Common Schools, and make such suggestions to the trustees and teachers in relation to the management of schools, plan of school houses, &c., &c., as he may deem useful;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and agreed to.

Ninth. Amend section 2, article 4, so that the first line of said section shall read as follows: Section 2, Whenever ten or a majority of the inhabitants of any unorganized, &c.;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Tenth. Amend subdivision 3, section 4, article 4, by adding thereto the following words: Unless the whole number of children residing in said township, between the ages of five and twenty years, shall exceed two hundred; *provided*, that when a township is laid off into four districts, no additional district shall be organized within said township, which shall, at the time of its proposed organization, contain less than forty children resident therein, between the ages of five and twenty years—or which shall, by its organization, reduce the number of children of school ages in any district already organized, below the number of forty;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and agreed to.

Eleventh. Amend section 8, article 4, by inserting after the word "township," in the second line of said section, the words: or two or more counties;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Twelfth. Amend same section, by adding the following words: And the children in said district so formed, shall be entitled to receive the same distributive share of the public school moneys, which they would have been entitled to receive, if attached to the townships in which they respectively reside;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Thirteenth. Amend subdivision 4, of section 4, article 5, by adding thereto the following words: But no tax shall be levied at such meeting, unless a majority of the qualified voters of the district shall vote such tax, and in case of a failure of such majority to attend such meeting, then on the petition in writing, signed by a majority of the qualified voters of the district, setting forth the fact, that it is desired at such meeting to levy a tax, it shall be the duty of the Board of Trustees to call, in the manner above provided, another meeting, and a majority of the qualified voters attending said meeting, shall have power to levy a tax;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and agreed to.

Fourteenth. Amend subdivision 9, of section 4, article 5, by striking out the following words, where they occur in said section: The number residing in each congressional township;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Fifteenth. Amend section 4, article 5, by adding thereto: Subdivisions 10, 11 and 12.

Subdivision 10. To exempt from the payment of teachers' wages, and rate bills for rent, fuel, &c., &c., such indigent persons in their respective districts, as they shall think proper. To certify such exemption, and deliver the certificate thereof to the clerk of the Board of Trustees of the proper district, to be kept on file in his office.

Subdivision 11. To ascertain by an examination of the school registers kept by teachers, as provided in section 2, of article 6, the number of days for which each person, not so exempted, shall be liable to pay for instruction, and the amount payable by each person.

Subdivision 12. To make out a rate bill, containing the name of each person so liable, that is—each person patronizing said school, and not exempted as above provided—and the amount for which said person is liable, adding thereto five cents on each dollar for collector's fees, and to annex thereto a warrant for the collection thereof, directed to the constable of the township;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and agreed to.

Sixteenth. Amend section 4, article 7, by adding the following words: *Provided*, that a child or the children of any school formed under this act, may join and be admitted to any school located in a district adjacent to the district in which said child or children may reside, the consent of a majority of the trustees of both districts being obtained thereto, and in case of a disagreement between the trustees of the district in which said child or children may reside, and those of the district in which the school is situated, the County Commissioner shall determine the same by his casting vote; *Provided, further*, that the school to which such child or children may be thus added, shall be entitled to the distributive share of the school funds due to said child or children, accruing in the district, in which said child or children may reside;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Seventeenth. Amend article 7, by adding thereto the following sections:

§ 10. It shall be the duty of the constable of each township, to whom a warrant or rate bill shall be directed, requiring and empowering said constable to collect a tax, as provided in subdivisions 7 and 11 of section 4, of article 5, of this act, to proceed to collect the amount so due from the persons against whom such warrants or rate bills have been issued, and upon failure on the part of such persons to pay the amount so due, to levy upon the personal property of the persons so failing or refusing to pay the amount so due, and the said constable shall proceed to sell the same as is provided in the law regulating sales by constables; and upon failure to find any personal property of the person so failing to pay said amount, or a sufficient amount of such personal property as will satisfy and discharge said warrant or rate bill, it shall be the duty of said constable to certify the facts to the trustees of the proper district. Upon receiving said certificate it shall be the duty of the trustees to make to the county court, a return of the real estate, if any, situate within their district, belonging to the person or persons so failing to pay the amount due on such warrant or rate bill, whereupon the county court shall deliver the same to the County Collector, who shall make return of the same as in

other cases of delinquent lands; and the county court shall hereupon draw a warrant on the County Treasurer in favor of the President of the Board of Trustees of the proper district for the amount so due upon said unpaid warrants or rate bills, and the said delinquent lands so returned, shall be liable in the same manner as is provided in the case of other delinquent lands, returnable for the non-payment of taxes under the laws of this State.

§. 11. Every constable receiving a warrant or rate bill for the collection of any money as provided in this act, shall, with his sureties, be liable to the proper district for any failure to execute or return such warrant or rate bill according to the requirement thereof, in the same manner, and to the same extent, as though such warrant were an execution issued by a justice of the peace, and received by such constable; and suit to enforce such liability may be maintained by the trustees of the proper district in their name of office.

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Minor offered the following amendment to the twenty-third section of article first:

Strike out all after the word "education" in said section;

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Bean, was laid on the table.

Mr. Frost offered the following amendment to the eighth subdivision of the third section of the third article, of the act approved February 24th, 1853:

Add the following:

And to appoint some suitable person in each unorganized school township in his county, whose duty it shall be to make report to said commissioners, as is required by the ninth subdivision of section four, of article five;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Cunningham offered the following amendment to the first section of the second article:

Provided, that the twenty-five per cent. State revenue to be distributed for school purposes, shall be distributed in the counties from which it was collected;

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. King moved to lay the amendment on the table,

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Jeffress:

AYES—Messrs. Anock, Alexander, Baker, Blakey, Bogy, Botts, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Buford, Bullock, Chilton, Clippard, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Cunningham, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of O., Morris, Dyer, Everett, Field, Frost, Green, of F., Green, of Lewis, Harding, Harrison, Harris, Hardemon, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Isbell, Jackson, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of O., Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, McAfee, McCary, McCulloch, McFall, McMahon, McSpadden, Minor, Monroe, Morson, Moseley, Mott, Murray, Nevill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shelton, Sisson, Smith, of Pettis,

Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Standiford, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of H., and Wyatt—23.

NOES—Messrs. Bean, Blair, Bohannon, Brady, Britton, Burnes, Den-
 ishan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Fagg, East, Farrar, Garth, Hughes, Jeffers,
 McCarty, of Kansas, of Cape Girardeau, McFarland, Neill, Todd and Mr.
 Speaker—20.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Donelan, Feagan, Gentry, Graves, Kelly,
 Madley, Mathersand, Parcells, Phillips, Rollins, Shambaugh, Smith, of
 R., Williams, of D., and Yants.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Britton, from the Committee on Enrolled bills, reported as truly en-
 rolled, a bill entitled,

An act to define the boundary of Osage and Polaski counties.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of
 Representatives, that House bills of the following titles have passed the
 Senate:

- An act for the relief of Stephen T. Nuckolls, of Atchison county;
- An act to authorize the sale of certain lands in Jefferson county;
- An act to appropriate money;
- An act for the relief of John Chappell;
- An act to change the name of Elias Alexander Knight to George W.
 Alexander;
- An act to authorize the county court of Sullivan county to levy a
 special tax for the purpose of building a court house;
- An act concerning fines and forfeitures in Dent county;
- An act to authorize Jesse Benton to convey certain real estate;
- An act to declare certain County roads a State road;
- An act to declare a certain County road a State road;
- An act to authorize Margaret Scott to keep a Ferry across the Mis-
 souri river, in Atchison county;
- An act to change the name of John T. Greenwood, Henry Greenwood,
 Bath E. Greenwood, David L. Greenwood and George Greenwood, of
 Butler county;
- An act to change a State road in Ralls county;
- An act to change the name of Francis Marion Walls, of Boone county,
 to that of Francis Marion Connolly;
- An act to amend the charter of the city of Lagrange;
- An act amending an act concerning the Collector of the Revenue in
 Platte county;
- An act to regulate the fees of the Judge of the Probate Court of the
 county of Andrew;
- An act for the relief of Thomas Hambright;

An act amendatory of an act respecting executors and administrators, approved March 26th, 1845;

A bill to authorize Samuel F. Haywood to sell certain real estate;

An act to incorporate Bloomfield Academy;

An act to incorporate the Laclede Insurance Company;

An act granting certain powers to the county court of the county of Callaway;

An act to change the name of Rebecca Smith;

Substitute for Senate bill entitled,

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to establish a court of Common Pleas in the city of Hannibal, approved March 27th, 1845; and to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the city of Hannibal, approved February 21st, 1845;

An act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of Ancient Order of Good Fellows of the State of Missouri;

An act to incorporate Jackson Lodge No. 82, of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons;

An act to provide for the payment of Petit Jurors in the county of Pettis;

An act to organize the county of Marion;

A bill to establish Eldon College;

A bill to declare a County road a State road in the county of Polk;

A bill to change the name of Alvira Roby, of Monroe county;

An act to vacate certain streets in the town of Athens, in Gentry county;

An act to incorporate the Mound City Building and Land Association;

An act to exempt the counties of Mercer and Daviess from the operations of an act approved March 3d, 1851, entitled, an act to provide for and laying out roads and highways in the several counties of this State;

A bill in relation to the heirs of Robert Adkins, deceased;

An act to authorize the guardian of Mary Ann Seppy to convey lands;

A bill for the relief of James Patton and others.

An act to regulate and pay Grand and Petit Jurors in the counties of Cape Girardeau, Gasconade and Osage.

An act to revive and amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Savannah and St. Joseph Railroad Company;

An act to incorporate the St. Joseph City Company;

An act to authorize Bela M. Hughes, curator of the estates of Paul Coburn and William B. Richardson, to sell certain lands in the State of Illinois;

An act to charter the Farmers' and Mechanics' Institution;

An act to amend an act entitled, "an act to change the name of the town of Bloomington, in Buchanan, to that of DeKalb, and to incorporate the same, approved February 26th, 1851;

An act to incorporate the city of Parkville;

An act to legalize the sale of lots in the town of Bloomfield, in Stoddard county;

An act to locate a State road in Marion, Monroe and Ralls counties;

An act to incorporate the Mississippi Valley Joint Stock Insurance Company of St. Louis, Mo.;

An act for the relief of James C. Waugh and others;

An act to pay Petit Jurors in Barry county;

An act concerning elections;

- An act to incorporate the town of Belmont;
- An act to amend an act entitled, "an act to incorporate the Benton Mining Company;
- An act for the benefit of Sarah S. Williams and others;
- An act to appoint the time to hold an election in Benton county to fill the vacancy in the office of clerk of the circuit court in said county;
- An act to change the name of Mrs. Emma Route;
- An act to establish a State road from Athens, in Gentry county, to Snell's Mills, in Harrison county;
- An act concerning the swamp lands in the counties of Scott, Cape Girardeau, Mississippi, New Madrid, Pemiscot, Dunklin, Ripley, Wayne and Butler;
- An act to authorize the county court of Adair county to borrow money;
- An act amendatory of an act of a uniform jury law in New Madrid and other counties;
- An act to pay Jurors in Livingston county;
- An act to hasten the liquidation of the debt of Cole county;
- An act supplementary to and amendatory of an act to incorporate the city of Boonville;
- Concurrent resolutions appointing a committee to examine into the defalcation of the late Treasurer.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Governor:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
City of Jefferson, Mo., February 28, 1856. }

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives:

GENTLEMEN: I have this day approved and signed bills of the following titles:

- An act to incorporate the St. Louis Ice Company, of St. Louis;
- An act to incorporate the Chillicothe, Spring Hill and Bethany Graded Road Company;
- An act to incorporate Weston Lodge, No. 53, of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons;
- An act to revive an act entitled, an act to incorporate the town of Carrollton, in Carroll county;
- An act for the relief of M. T. Green, of Daviess county;
- An act for the sale of certain school lands in the county of Chariton;
- An act to authorize the county of Shannon to organize the Common-Schools in said county by municipal townships;
- An act amendatory of an act donating certain swamp and overflowed lands to the counties in which they lie, approved March 3d, 1851;
- An act for the enlargement of the Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb;
- An act explanatory of an act entitled, an act to authorize the formation of Railroad Associations, and to regulate the same;
- An act authorizing Otto Schwarz to convey lands;
- An act authorizing the Secretary of State to employ a clerk until the 6th March;

- An act providing for a division of township school funds belonging to Township 35, N., range 7, east ;
- An act for the relief of Anderson McCampbell, of Callaway county ;
- An act to incorporate the National Insurance Company, of St. Louis ;
- An act authorizing Matthias Ray to sell 40 acres of land belonging to his nephew, Wm. H. Ray, a minor ;
- An act to incorporate the St. Louis Bagging and Rope Company ;
- An act to incorporate the Trustees of the St. Louis College of Medical and Natural Sciences ;
- An act to incorporate the St. Joseph Extension Company ;
- An act for the relief of John B. Hayden ;
- An act to change the time of holding courts in the 5th Judicial Circuit ;
- An act to authorize Thomas Arnold to sell lands of his ward ;
- An act to allow Simpson Bergen to peddle without a license ;
- An act to incorporate the Missouri and California Overland Mail and Transportation Company ;
- An act to establish a House of Refuge in St. Louis county ;
- An act to authorize certain individuals to establish weighing scales in St. Louis county ;
- An act to incorporate Mt. Pleasant College, in Huntsville, in Randolph county ;
- An act to incorporate the Six Penny Saving's Institution, of St. Louis ;
- An act to authorize the county court of Ste. Genevieve county to levy a special tax, and for other purposes ;
- An act to authorize the county courts of Saint Francois and Ste. Genevieve counties to borrow the distributive share of the Internal improvement Fund accruing to said counties, and for other purposes ;
- An act for the relief of Edward F. Deitz ;
- An act to incorporate Golden Square Lodge No. 107 ;
- An act to provide for the election of County Treasurer and Public Administrator in Franklin county ;
- An act incorporating the Howard County Agricultural and Mechanical Society.
- An act to authorize the county court of Ste. Genevieve county to levy a special tax, and for other purposes ;
- An act concerning roads and highways in Franklin county ;
- An act to vacate a certain State road in Jackson county ;
- An act to establish a State road from Plattsburg to Atchison.

Very respectfully,

STERLING PRICE.

Mr. Yeats, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles :

- An act to incorporate the Platte Mutual Insurance Company ;
- An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to establish a State road from Fredricktown, in the county of Madison, to Bloomfield, in the county of Stoddard ;
- An act concerning the Columbia and Missouri River Plank Road Company ;
- An act for the relief of Martha J. Shirley ;
- An act for the benefit of the heirs of John Denny, deceased ;

An act to establish a State road from Sumnerville, in Wayne county, to Gillis' Bluff, on Black river, in Butler county;

An act for the benefit of L. A. Labeaume and Malina Labeaume;

An act to authorize the curator of James Prather to lease land;

An act to appoint the time of holding an election in Benton county to fill a vacancy in the office of clerk of the circuit court, in said county;

An act authorizing a free person of color to remain this State until he arrives at the age of twenty-one years;

An act concerning the Glasgow Insurance Company;

An act to incorporate the Morrison House Company, in the city of St. Charles;

An act to incorporate the Pleasant Retreat Female Seminary, in the city of Boonville;

An act to legalize the survey of a State road;

An act to change the name of Elias Alexander Knight to George W. Alexander;

Concurrent resolutions appointing a Committee to examine into the defalcation of the late treasurer.

Mr. Breckinridge, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act concerning billiard tables;

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Smith, of S., it was rejected.

The question being on postponing until the first Monday in November next, House bill entitled,

An act to aid in the construction of the Pacific Railroad;

It was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and nays being demanded by Mr. Heryford:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Botts, Brady, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Darby, Davis, Donelan, Drake, Dyer, Everett, Garth, Graves, Green, of L., Harding, Hardeman, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Jackson, McColloch, McSpadden, Monro, Parcells, Powers, Roberts, Shelton, Smith, of S., Webb, Whitaker, Williams of Daviess, and Wyatt—39.

NOES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of St. Louis, Burnes, Clark, Cravens, Cunningham, Darnes, Dodson, Doniphan, of Clay, Doniphan, of Platte, Dorris, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Green, of F., Harrison, Harris, Hardin, Hickox, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffres, Jennings, Jones, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McAfee, McCarty, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McFall, McFarland, McMahan, Minor, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Motherhead, Murray, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Phillips, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Sitton, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, White, Williams, of Henry, and Mr. Speaker—71.

Absent—Messrs. Gentry, Kelly, Lewis, of St. Louis, Medley, Rollins, Shambaugh, Wall and Yates.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

The bill was then read a second time, when,

Mr. Frost offered the following amendment, as an additional section :

Section 8. So much of the ninth section of an act entitled, an act to accept a grant of land made to the State of Missouri by the Congress of the United States, to aid in the construction of certain railroads in this State, and apply a portion thereof to the Pacific Railroad, approved December 25th, 1852, as requires the subscription of \$500,000 to the capital stock of said company, before the issue of any of the bonds authorized for the construction of the South-western Branch of the said Pacific Railroad, is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof, "the Governor is hereby authorized to issue said bonds in manner and form, and on the terms, conditions and restrictions as required by existing laws," whenever he shall have proof satisfactory to him that \$300,000 has been in good faith subscribed to the capital stock of the said company, applicable to the construction of said South-western Branch, and when the Governor shall be satisfied that the said sum of \$300,000 of stock, with the \$300,000 of bonds issued under this section, shall have been faithfully applied to the construction of said South-western Branch, he is hereby authorized to issue the balance of the one million of bonds, authorized to be issued to said South-west Branch, under the act above referred to, in amounts not to exceed \$200,000 at any one time, to be expended in good faith upon said South-west Branch, and then a like amount of bonds may be issued for the like purpose, until the said one million of bonds be issued, and the said Pacific Railroad Company shall commence the said South-west Branch by the first day of June next, and prosecute the same in good faith, as fast as the means, applicable to said South-west Branch will authorize ; and provided further, that said Pacific Railroad Company shall not directly nor indirectly use any of the funds applicable to the South-west Branch, nor any of the lands or proceeds thereof, for any other purpose, than the building said South-west Branch, west of the diverging point.

This act to take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. Reid offered the following substitute for Mr. Frost's amendment :

Section 3. So much of the ninth section of an act entitled, an act to accept a grant of land made to the State of Missouri by the Congress of the United States, to aid in the construction of certain railroads in this State, and apply a portion thereof to the Pacific Railroad, approved December 25th, 1852, as requires the subscription of \$500,000 to the capital stock of the said company before the issue of any of the bonds authorized for the construction of the South-western Branch of said Pacific Railroad, is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof, the Governor is hereby authorized to issue said bonds, in manner and form and on terms, conditions and restrictions as required by existing laws, whenever he shall have proof satisfactory to him, that \$300,000 has been in good faith subscribed to the capital stock of the said company, applicable to the construction of said South-western Branch.

This act to take effect from and after its passage.

Which was read a first time, pending which,

On motion of Mr. Cravens,

The House adjourned until 7 o'clock, this evening.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Propositions and motions being in order:

Mr. Holmes, on leave, called up House bill entitled,

An act to amend the several acts to establish judicial circuits, and prescribe the time and place of holding courts in the tenth judicial circuit;

Which was read a third time, when,

Mr. Brady offered a substitute of the same title;

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Mott, was laid on the table.

The bill was then passed.

Mr. Isbell, on leave, called up House bill entitled,

An act to amend the city charter of the city of St. Louis;

Which was read a third time, when,

Mr. Todd offered the following amendment by way of rider:

Strike out the first section of the bill;

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Blair, it was laid on the table.

The bill was then passed.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed:

By Mr. Lewis, of C.:

An act enabling the United States Express Company to bring action and suit at law, in this State, in the name of the Directors of said Company.

By Mr. Kelly:

An act concerning clerks' and sheriffs' fees.

By Mr. Layton:

An act to preserve town plats in Clark county.

By Mr. Lewis, of C.:

An act to revive an act entitled, an act to authorize Isaac R. Campbell, to keep a Ferry across the Des Moines river, at the town of Lancaster, in Clark county.

By Mr. Jennings:

An act to legalize the sale of certain real estate in Stone county, made by John Cox, Administrator of John Birchfield, deceased.

By Mr. Jones:

An act to authorize the county court of Dallas county, to sell the swamp and overflowed lands in said county.

By Mr. Hughes:

An act for the relief of Robert Greer and Jeremiah Tillery, late sheriffs, and John Steel, present sheriff, of Clinton county.

By Mr. Hill:

An act to change a State road in the county of Miller.

By Mr. Hardin:

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Callaway Mining and Manufacturing Company, approved February 16, 1847

By Mr. Hickox:

An act for changing a State road in Moniteau county.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced and disposed of, as follows :

By Mr. Heryford :

An act to incorporate the Weston and Randolph County Railroad ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

By Mr. Jeffress :

An act concerning voluntary assignments ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Hardeman :

An act to suppress trade and barter with slaves ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and one hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed.

By Mr. Harris :

An act to prevent riots and breaches of the peace ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time, when,

Mr. Smith, of S., offered the following amendment by way of rider :

This act shall apply to St. Louis county only ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended and read second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Britton,

Was laid on the table.

The bill was then passed by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Frost :

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Bohannon, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Drake, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Isbell, Jennings, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McCarty, McColloch, McFall, Medley, Moore, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Ritchey, Sifton, Smith, of St. L., Todd, Tucker, Wall, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—53.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Bogy, Botts, Brown, of N., Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Frost, Garth, Graves, Harrison, Harding, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Hughes, McAfee, McLane, of Cape G., McFarland, McSpadden, Minor, Monro, Moseley, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Roberts, Rollins, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Standiford, Turner and Whitaker—41.

Absent—Messrs. Blakey, Boyd, Donelan, Dyer, Field, Jackson, Jeffress, Jones, Kelly, King, Lewis, of St. L., McCary, McMahan, Mothershead, Nevill, Phillips, Powers, Shelton, Smith, of Pettis, and White.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Messrs. Acock, Buford, Bullock, Gentry, Goode, Houghton, Howell, Smith, of B., and Webb.

By Mr. Harding :

An act for the benefit of the Hannibal, Ralls county and Paris Plank Road Company ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Gentry, on leave, called up House bill entitled,

An act specifying the duties of County Surveyors ;

Which was read a third time and passed.

By Mr. Gentry :

An act to incorporate the Hannibal Bridge Company ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended and read a second time.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed :

By Mr. Frost :

An act for the benefit of Lewis M. Frazier, of Lincoln county.

By Mr. Garth :

An act for the dedicating of land.

By Mr. Graves :

An act explanatory of an act, approved February 8th, 1856, entitled, an act to authorize the County Court of Platte county to appropriate money.

By Mr. Harrison :

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the President and Board of Visitors and Examination, of the Female Collegiate Institute, approved February 17th, 1851.

By Mr. Ewing :

An act to change the name of Betty P. Thompson.

By Mr. Fagg :

An act to provide for additional places of voting in Pike county ;

By Mr. Fant :

An act to amend an act entitled, an act regulating clerks, approved March 27th, 1845.

By Mr. Everett :

An act to establish a State road in Buchanan county.

By Mr. Bean :

An act relating to the town of Middle Grove, in Monroe county ;

By Mr. Feagan :

An act to repeal an act entitled, an act to establish a State road in the counties of Marion and Shelby.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

By Mr. Ewing :

An act to incorporate the Young Men's Saving Institution in Boonville.

By Mr. Dyer :

An act incorporating the Warrenton Female Academy.

By Mr. Farrar :

An act to incorporate the Laclede Hotel Company of the city of St. Louis.

By Mr. Green, of L. :

An act to incorporate the Canton Seminary.

By Mr. Field :

An act to incorporate the Fillmore Mutual Fire and Marine Insurance Company.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed:

By Mr. Davis:

An act to vacate part of First Main street, in Fayette, Missouri.

By the same:

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to incorporate the town of Roanoke.

By Mr. Darnes:

An act to build a road from the town of Bloomfield, to the town of Commerce.

By Mr. Donelan:

An act supplementary to an act entitled, an act to incorporate the city of Savannah, approved February 24th, 1853.

By Mr. Darby:

An act for the relief of the Justices of the Peace, of Parkville.

By Mr. Brown, of St. L.:

An act conferring certain powers on the St. Louis Circuit Court.

Mr. Dyer, on leave, presented a petition from citizens of Warren county, praying the enactment of a prohibitory liquor law;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Lewis, of C., on leave, presented a petition from citizens of Clark county, praying the enactment of a prohibitory liquor law;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means;

Mr. McClain, of St. C., presented a petition from citizens of Cape Girardeau county, praying the enactment of a prohibitory liquor law;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means;

Mr. Dyer, on leave, introduced the following resolution:

WHEREAS, by resolution passed by the last House of Representatives, allowing Henry Frazier the sum of two dollars per day for his services as Messenger of that body; and whereas, said Henry Frazier made a mistake, as he alleges, against himself, of the sum of twenty-four dollars; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Committee on Accounts be required to allow the said Henry Frazier the sum of twenty-four dollars; *Provided*, the said Henry Frazier satisfy said committee that he is entitled to that amount of money, under the resolution of the last House of Representatives;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Britton, on leave, presented a petition from the citizens of St. Charles county, relative to the location of the North Missouri Railroad;

Which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Green, of F., on leave, presented a petition from members of the Evangelic Lutheran Congregation of St. John's Church, near Union, in the county of Franklin, praying for an act of incorporation;

Which was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Breckinridge, on leave, from the select committee to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act creating the office of Assistant Circuit Attorney, in St. Louis county;

Reported a substitute of the same title, which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Bogy, from the select committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act for the regulation and management of the State Library ;

Reported the same back with amendments, and recommended its passage.

The amendments were then read first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was made the special order of to-morrow evening at 2 o'clock.

Mr. Bean, on leave, called up House bill entitled,

An act incorporating the Weston and Clinton county Railroad Company.

The amendments to said bill were then read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Mr. Burnes, from the select committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act to incorporate Pleasant Ridge Male and Female College ;

Reported the same back with an amendment and recommended its passage.

The amendment was then read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Mr. Cravens, on leave, called up Senate bill entitled,

An act to incorporate Carthage Female Academy ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Mr. Cravens, on leave, called up Senate bill entitled,

A bill to alter the line dividing the counties of Dade and Jasper.

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and postponed until the first Monday in November next.

Mr. Baker, on leave, called up Senate bill entitled,

An act changing the time of holding courts in the Third Judicial Circuit;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Todd, on leave, from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act amendatory of an act to provide for the Weston Marine Insurance Company, approved February 27, 1851,

Reported the same back with an amendment, and recommended its passage.

The amendment was then read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and agreed to.

The bill was then passed.

Mr. Blair, from the select committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act in relation to Public Parks and Squares in St. Louis county,

Reported the same back to the House and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Bohannon, on leave, called up House bill entitled,

An act to establish a Court of Common Pleas in Ray county ;

Which was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Newland, on leave, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, that the Committee on Accounts be authorized to audit the accounts of Thomas M. Dorris and George Roots, messengers and folders, at \$8 00 per day from the commencement of the session ;

Which was, on motion, passed over.

Mr. Rollins offered resolutions entitled,

Resolutions calling on the Secretary of State for certain information ;

Which were adopted.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced and disposed of as follows :

By Mr. Clark :

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to provide for levying, assessing and collecting the revenue, approved March 27, 1845 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and made the special order of the day for to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

By Mr. Doniphan, of P. :

An act concerning slaves, amendatory of an act approved March 27th, 1845 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, and read a second time.

By Mr. Todd :

An act to amend an act entitled, an act concerning corporations, approved March 19, 1845 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, and read a second time.

By Mr. Clippard :

An act to amend the act to amend and reduce into one the several acts for incorporating the city of Cape Girardeau, approved Feb. 24th, 1853 ;

Which was read a first time.

By Mr. Doniphan, of C. :

An act for the improvement of Main street, in the city of Jefferson ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

Mr. Ewing offered a substitute of the following title :

An act to amend an act to provide for the management of the Penitentiary, approved February 18th, 1853 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed :

By Mr. Boyd :

An act to legalize the sales of certain town lots in the town of Osark.

By Mr. Brown, of J. :

An act supplemental to an act entitled, an act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Mammoth Mining Company, approved January 28th, 1855.

By Mr. Barrett :

An act for the relief of Aylett H. Buckner, of St. Louis county.

By Mr. Newland ;

An act to vacate a portion of a State road in Ralls county.

By Mr. Alexander :

An act providing for a division of township school funds belonging to township 36 N., range 6, east.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the yeas and nays on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with:

By Mr. Newland:

A bill to incorporate the Minerva Female Academy, in Hannibal, Missouri.

By M. Barnes:

An act to incorporate the Parkville and Ridgley Railroad Company.

On motion of Mr. Bean,

The House adjourned.

THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 1ST, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate has receded from Senate amendment to House bill entitled:

An act to make the offices of Public Administrator and County Treasurer, in Henry county, elective.

The Senate has laid on the table House joint resolution in relation to the Secretary of State.

House bills of the following titles have passed the Senate:

An act amending an act concerning ferries, applicable to St. Louis and Jefferson counties;

An act to authorize Reuben Carter to sell certain real estate;

An act to amend an act entitled, "an act to regulate elections," approved March 28th, 1845;

An act to relinquish escheated property.

The Senate has amended and passed, as amended, House bills entitled:

An act to change the time of holding circuit courts in the 2d Judicial Circuit;

An act regulating the election of county court justices in Gasconade county;

An act to increase the pay of county court Justices;

An act to prohibit the sale of spirituous liquors in Central township, Jefferson county;

The Senate has agreed to House amendments to Senate bills entitled:

An act to incorporate the Dime Savings' Institution of the city of St. Charles;

An act to incorporate Prairie Point Academy, of Platte county;

An act to incorporate the City University of St. Louis;

An act to establish a State road in Clay and Clinton counties;

An act to establish a Ferry across the Mississippi river at a point in Marion county, opposite the city of Quincy, Illinois;

An act to incorporate the Lagrange Savings' Institution, in Lewis county;

An act to incorporate a Ferry in Platte county;

An act concerning the Clerk of the County Court of Crawford county;

An act to amend the charter of the city of St. Joseph;

An act to incorporate the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Savings' Institution;

An act to locate a State road in Clay and Platte counties.

Senate bills of the following titles have passed the Senate:

An act for the benefit of the widow and children of Reuben Johnson, deceased;

An act to authorize the minor children of Thomas Walker, of Grundy county, to execute a quit claim deed to J. B. McDonald;

An act for the benefit of the heirs of Thomas J. Walker, deceased;

An act to provide for the erection of buildings on the Capitol grounds.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed:

An act supplementary to an act entitled, "an act to incorporate the Wesleyan Cemetery Association, approved February 28th, 1851;"

An act to incorporate Liberty Female College;

An act to incorporate the Hope Mining Company.

A bill of the following title has been introduced into the Senate:

An act to extend the limits of the city of St. Louis, and for other purposes.

The President of the Senate has signed Enrolled House bills of the following titles:

An act regulating money;

An act to appoint the time to hold an election in Benton county to fill a vacancy in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court in said county;

Joint resolution in relation to the Secretary of State;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to fix the time of holding courts in the Twelfth Judicial Circuit;

An act to incorporate the town of Princeton, in Mercer county;

An act to relieve the county of Ray from the payment of jury fees in all suits that come into the circuit court of said county by change of venue;

An act to authorize the Curator of the minor heirs of Sinthia Trotter, deceased, to sell real estate;

An act for the benefit of Sarah H. Burnam;

An act to authorize the County Court of Wayne county to use the Road and Canal Fund and the Internal Improvement Funds;

An act to incorporate Plattsburg Lodge, No. 113, of Free and Accepted Masons;

An act to incorporate the Bollinger and Wayne County McAdamized Road Company;

An act to change and vacate a State road;

An act to authorize the County Court of Moniteau county to rescind certain contracts made in relation to school lands with Abram Hunter;

An act to incorporate the Central High School;

An act to authorize the Guardian and Curator of the minor heirs of James C. Dameron, to sell real estate ;

An act concerning costs in the case of the State vs. R. A. Grant ;

An act to establish a State road from Owens' Ferry to the Iowa line ;

An act for paying Jurors in the counties of Newton and McDonald ;

An act confirming the organization of Stone county ;

An act to pay Petit Jurors in Dallas and Dade counties ;

An act to incorporate the Central College at Fayette, Missouri ;

An act to establish a State road from Lagrange, in Lewis county, to Edina, in Knox county ;

An act to incorporate the town of Gallatin ;

An act to extend the corporate limits of the town of Columbia ;

An act to declare John E. Bull, a minor, of full age ;

An act for the relief of Thomas Lane ;

An act to abolish a part of a State road leading from Huntsville, in Randolph county, to Glasgow, in Howard county ;

An act for opening and repairing roads and public highways in the counties of Lincoln, Randolph, Warren, Montgomery, Johnson, Bates, and other counties ;

An act to amend an act entitled, " an act to amend and reduce into one the several acts incorporating the town of Louisiana, and to organize the same into a city," approved March 10th, 1849 ;

An act in relation to the estate of Gorman and Bowen ;

An act to define the boundaries of Osage and Pulaski counties.

Mr. Sitton, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles :

An act to change the name of Eliza Jane Gunby, to that of Eliza Jane Gosney ;

An act for the incorporation of Danville ;

An act to authorize the sale of real estate ;

An act to authorize the sale of certain lands in Wayne county ;

An act to change a State road in Miller county ;

An act to change a State road from Springfield to Buffalo ;

An act for the benefit of Sarah Manuel, of Cape Girardeau county ;

An act to change the name of Rebecca Smith ;

An act granting the Des Moines River Navigation and Railroad Company the right of way ;

An act to authorize the County Court of Sullivan county to levy a special tax for the purpose of building a court house ;

An act to authorize Henry Teague to sell certain land ;

An act for the relief of Wm. A. Whitehead, Collector of Stoddard county ;

An act concerning evidence ;

An act in relation to selling liquor in the county of Platte ;

An act to change the name of Peter Hintershit and five others ;

An act for the benefit of the Treasurers of the counties of Pemiscot, Sullivan and Bollinger ;

An act regulating the practice of issuing process in justices courts in the city of St. Louis.

An act amendatory of an act for the benefit of Congressional Townships number fifty-one and fifty-two, in Carroll county ;

- An act for the relief of S. P. Williams, of Johnson county ;
- An act in relation to swamp lands in the counties of New Madrid, Pemiscot, Mississippi, Cape Girardeau, Stoddard, Wayne, Ripley, Butler and Dunklin.
- An act to incorporate the Western Missouri Railroad Company ;
- An act to incorporate the Ste. Genevieve Glass Company ;
- An act to provide for paying petit jurors in Atchison county ;
- An act to establish a State road from the town of Lura, in Clark county, to the Iowa line, in Scotland county, Mo. ;
- An act for the relief of Robert Stewart, Collector of Pemiscot county ;
- A bill to change a State road leading from Springfield to St. Louis ;
- Memorial to Congress asking a grant of land to the Western Missouri railroad ;
- A bill to authorize Mrs. Mary Mantz to convey land ;
- An act to provide for the election of the County School Commissioners in the counties of Adair, Lewis and Franklin ;
- An act to legalize the marriage of Josiah M. D. Carnes and Margaret Blackwell ;
- An act to authorize the county court of Cole county to change a portion of a State road ;
- An act to authorize Joseph Leedom, Thomas McGoldrick and George Leedom to erect a mill dam across the Chariton river, in Schuyler county ;
- An act to pay grand jurors in Schuyler county ;
- An act to authorize the county court of Clinton county to apportion certain school moneys ;
- A bill incorporating a ferry at the city of Louisiana.

Mr. Doniphan, of P., from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly engrossed, a bill of the following title :

An act to provide for printing the report of the State Geologist.

Mr. Barrett called up House bill entitled,

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to provide for levying, assessing and collecting the revenue, approved March 27th, 1845.

Mr. Harrison offered a substitute of the following title,

An act to increase the pay of Assessors ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and rejected.

Mr. Barrett offered the following amendment :

Strike out the words in the fourth section, " this act," and insert in lieu thereof the following, " first section of this act."

Amend also by adding the following section :

Section 5. Hereafter, the assessor, in and for each county in this State, shall hereafter take an oath that he will faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of his office, and that he will assess all the property in the county which he assesses, at what he believes to be its actual cash value ; said oath shall be administered to said assessor by the clerk of the county court, in and for each county, and it shall be the duty of said clerk to enter it upon the record of his office, that he administered said oath and the time when he administered it ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Minor offered the following amendment as an additional section :

Section —. It shall be the duty of the assessors in the respective counties, to administer the following oath or affirmation, to each tax payer therein :

You do solemnly swear or affirm, that you will give a true and correct list of all your taxable property, so help you God ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when, Mr. Dorris moved to lay the amendment on the table ;

Which was decided in the negative.

The amendment was then agreed to by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Harrison :

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Chilton, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Demelan, Doniphan, of C., Drake, Dyer, Ewing, Fagg, Feagan, Graves, Green, of L., Hardin, Harris, Hardeman, Harding, Heryford, Hickox, Jeffress, Jennings, Layton, Lewis, of C., McAfee, McCarty, McCulloch, McFarland, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Mott, Mothesoad, Murray, Nevill, Parcells, Patrick, Phillips, Pratt, Reid, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. Louis, Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Webb, White, Williams, of H., Yeats and Mr. Speaker—72.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Barnes, Clippard, Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Everett, Field, Frost, Garth, Harrison, Hill, Holmes, Hughes, Isbell, Jackson, Jones, King, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McFall, Morrow, Neill, Ritschey, Rollins, Smith, of S., Turner, Wall, Whitaker, Williams, of D., and Wyatt—80.

Absent—Messrs. Baker, Brady, Brown, of St. L., Cunningham, Dodson, Fant, Farrar, Green, of F., Kelly, Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, Moore, Monro, Moseley and Powers,

Absent on leave—Messrs. Burnet, Gilstrap, Guitar, McClain, of St. Clair, and Morgan.

Sick—Messrs. Gentry, Goode, Houghton, Howell, and Smith, of Bollinger.

Mr. King offered the following amendment :

This act shall not apply to the year 1855, only so much of said act that fixes the pay of the assessors ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Blair offered as an amendment, a bill entitled,

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act respecting the assessor of St. Louis county, approved February 24th, 1853 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Murray offered the following amendment as an additional section :

All county courts or other legally constituted bodies, sitting as a court of appeals, to hear and determine upon appeals made by persons from

the assessment made by any assessor in this State, shall have power to hear testimony and determine upon the true value of any property, from such testimony, or from personal knowledge of the same;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Wall offered the following amendment as an additional section:

Section —. If any assessor shall fail or refuse to administer the oath required under the provisions of this act, he shall, for every such offense, forfeit and pay to the county, for the use of the common school fund, not less than ten, nor more than twenty dollars, to be collected before any justice of the peace of his county, in a summary manner;

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Clark, was laid on the table.

Mr. Britton offered the following amendment to the end of section two:

Provided, it shall not apply to any lands which have become taxable since the last assessment;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Green, of L., offered the following amendment as an additional section:

The county courts of this State, in their discretion, may employ for two years, special assessors, to assess all property not now assessed, and to allow them the pay provided in this act, with such other pay as they may deem sufficient to employ competent men;

Which was read a first time and rejected.

Mr. Frost offered the following amendment to the second section:

Strike out "one per cent." and insert "one-fifth of one per cent."

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Cravens offered the following amendment to the bill:

Strike out all that relates to the pay of Assessors;

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Jeffress, it was laid on the table.

Mr. Dorris moved to lay the bill, together with the amendments, on the table;

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Dorris:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Botts, Buford, Clippard, Cravens, Darby, Davis, Drake, Dorris, Frost, Garth, Graves, Green, of L., Hardin, Hill, Holmes, Jackson, Jones, McCary, McMahan, McSpadden, Moore, Phillips, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of S., Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker and Williams, of D.—35.

NOES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Boyd, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Burnes, Clark, Crosswhite, Cunningham, Darnes, Donegan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Green, of F., Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Heryford, Hickox, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, King, Layton, Lewis, of St. L., McAfee, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McFarland, Medley, Moore, Morrow, Moseley, Mothersead,

Murray, Neill, Nevill, Parcells, Reid, Roberts, Sisson, Smith, of Pettis, Smith, of St. Louis, Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—70.

Absent—Messrs. Bullock, Chilton, Kelly, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McCarty, Mott, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Rollins and White.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Green, of L., offered the following amendment:
Strike out "fifteen," and insert "twelve and a half."
Strike out "ten," and insert "eight;"

Which was read a first time, and,
On motion of Mr. Clark, it was laid on the table.

Mr. Smith, of S., offered the following amendment:

This act shall be in full force from and after the first day of January, 1856;

Which was read a first time, and,
On motion of Mr. Field, it was laid on the table.

Mr. Harding moved the previous question, which was sustained.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed and made the special order of the day, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

The question then being on the adoption of Mr. Reid's substitute for Mr. Frost's amendment to House bill entitled,

An act to aid in the construction of the Pacific Railroad.

Mr. Hardin offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the bill and proposed amendments be referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements, with instructions to report at the earliest convenience, a bill establishing a board of public works, with the provisions of the bill under consideration, and the amendment to the amendment ingrafted therein.

Mr. Lightner, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles:

An act to authorize the sale of certain lands situate in the county of Jefferson;

An act amendatory of an act for a uniform jury law, and to provide for the payment of jurors, approved March 1st, 1851;

An act to view and mark out a State road from Westport, in Jackson county, to the south-west corner of the State;

An act to incorporate the Callaway County Home Mutual Fire Insurance Company; and also, the Cole County Home Mutual Fire Insurance Company;

An act to incorporate the Melville Male and Female Academy, in the town of Melville, in the county of Dade, Missouri;

An act to incorporate Monticello Lodge, No. 58, of Free and Accepted Masons;

An act for the incorporation of Agricultural and Mechanical Societies in the counties of Ralls, Lincoln and Pike;

An act to appropriate money;

An act to incorporate the Lafayette County Mutual Fire Insurance Company ;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Benton Mining Company, approved February 8th, 1853 ;

An act to declare a county road a State road in Polk county.

On motion of Mr. Morrow,
The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that the President of the Senate has signed enrolled Senate bills entitled :

An act for the relief George M. Taylor, clerk of the circuit court of Macon county, and others ;

Joint resolutions to fit up a room in the Capitol for the use of the Superintendent of Common Schools ;

An act extending the limits of the city of St. Charles ;

An act declaring a certain county road in Lewis and Shelby counties a State road ;

An act for the relief of Frances Tucker, of Platte county ;

An act to declare Wesley Massey of age ;

An act to furnish Wayne county certain books ;

An act to incorporate the Commercial Insurance Company of the city of St. Louis ;

An act to ordain and establish a district county court ,

An act to incorporate the Aetna Insurance Company ;

An act to authorize the Register of lands to receive the delinquent tax list of the Collector of Cape Girardeau county for the year A. D., 1852 ;

An act to repeal a portion of an act entitled, an act in relation to appeals and writs of error from certain Judicial Circuits in the State of Missouri, approved March 12th, 1849 ,

An act to amend Chapter 180, Revised Statutes, entitled Trespass ;

An act to incorporate the American Insurance Company ;

An act to change a certain School district in the county of Knox ;

An act for the relief of James McCollough, former Collector of Jefferson county ;

An act for the relief of Fielding Burnes ;

An act concerning State roads in the county of Washington ;

An act for the relief of Fielding S. Helm ;

An act for furnishing certain officers the Public Statutes and Reports of the Supreme Court, and for other purposes ;

An act to incorporate the Central Cemetery Association of St. Louis ;

An act to change the name of Eliot Seminary ;

An act to change the name of Duncan Kelsey Campbell, to George Alexander McFadden ;

An act to authorize the guardian of Oscar L. Peake, a minor, to sell certain lands in Howard county, and for other purposes ;

An act better to provide for the support of the poor of St. Louis county;

An act to make the County School Commissioner of Harrison county elected by the qualified voters of said county ;

An act to increase the salaries of Circuit Attorneys ;

An act concerning witnesses in criminal cases ;

An act to provide for recording land patents ;

An act to remunerate the commissioners for superintending the finishing of the Capitol ;

An act for the relief of Thomas Van Swearingen, late judge of the court of common pleas, in the city of Hannibal ;

An act to authorize Wm. Kirkpatrick, of the county of Johnson, to administer on the partnership estate of Kirkpatrick & McCormack ;

An act concerning Billiard Tables in Ste. Genevieve and St. Francois counties ;

An act to amend an act concerning perpetuating testimony ;

An act to incorporate Warren Lodge, No. 74, of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons.

The President of the Senate has also signed Enrolled House bills entitled :

An act to pay the funeral expenses of the Hon. W. J. McMurtry, dec'd ;

An act to incorporate the city of Chillicothe ;

An act to incorporate the Monroe County Agricultural and Mechanical Society ;

An act to incorporate the Eagle Temperance Union, No. 11 ;

An act concerning Ferries in Jefferson and Franklin counties ;

An act to authorize the curator of James Prather to lease lands ;

An act for the benefit of Louis A. and Melanie Labeaume ;

An act to incorporate the Platte Mutual Insurance Company ;

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to establish a State road from Fredericktown, in Madison county, to Bloomfield, in Stoddard co. ;

An act concerning the Columbia and Missouri River Plank Road Company ;

An act for the relief of Martha J. Shirley ;

An act for the benefit of the heirs of John Denny, deceased ;

An act to establish a State road from Greenville, in Wayne county, to Gillis's Bluff, on Black river, in Butler county ;

An act to change the name of Elias Alexander Knight, to George W. Alexander ;

An act to legalize the survey of a State road ;

An act to incorporate the Pleasant Retreat Female Academy, of the city of Boonville ;

A bill to incorporate the Hotel Company of the city of St. Charles, to be called the Morrison House Company ;

An act concerning the Glasgow Insurance Company ;

An act authorizing a free person of color to remain in this State until he arrives at the age of 21 years ;

Concurrent resolution appointing a committee to examine into the defalcation of the late Treasurer ;

An act in relation to Swamp Lands in the counties of New Madrid, Pemissot, Cape Girardeau, Scott and other counties.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Governor:

Executive Department,
City of Jefferson, Mo., March 1st, 1886.

To the Hon. the House of Representatives:

Gentlemen: I have this day approved and signed bills of the following titles:

- An act to establish a State road from Owen's Ferry to the Iowa line;
- An act to appoint the time to hold an election in Benton county, to fill a vacancy in the office of clerk of the circuit court in said county;
- An act to amend an act entitled, an act to fix the time of holding courts in the twelfth judicial circuit;
- An act to incorporate the town of Princeton, in Mercer county;
- An act to relieve the county of Ray from the payment of jury fees in all suits at law that come into the circuit court of said county, by a change of venue from other counties;
- An act to authorize the curator of the minor heirs of Sintha Trotter, deceased, to sell real estate;
- An act for the benefit of Sarah H. Burman;
- An act to authorize the county court of Wayne county, to use the road and canal, and internal improvement funds;
- An act to incorporate Plattsburg Lodge, No. 118, of Free and Accepted Masons;
- An act to incorporate the Bollinger and Wayne County McAdamsized Road Company;
- An act to change and vacate a State road;
- An act to authorize the county court of Monticau county to rescind certain contracts made in relation to school lands with Abram Hunter;
- An act to incorporate the Central High School;
- An act authorizing the guardian and curator of Mary Dameron, Cornelia Dameron and Laura W. Dameron, minor heirs of James C. Dameron, to sell certain real estate;
- An act concerning the costs in the case of the State versus R. A. Grant;
- An act to provide for the paying of jurors in the county of Newton and McDonald;
- An act confirming the organization of Stone county;
- An act to pay petit jurors in the counties of Dallas and Dade;
- An act to incorporate Central College, at Fayette, Missouri;
- An act to establish a State road from Lagrange, in Lewis county, to Edina, in Knox county;
- An act to incorporate the town of Gallatin;
- An act to extend the present corporate limits of the town of Columbia;
- An act to declare John E. Bull, a minor, of full age;
- An act for the relief of Thomas Lane;
- An act to abolish a part of a State road leading from Huntsville, in Randolph county, to Glasgow, in Howard county;

- An act for opening and repairing public roads and highways in the counties of Lincoln, Randolph, Warren, Montgomery, Johnson, Bates, Andrew, Hickory, Tazewell, Boone, Cole, Moniteau and Osage;
- An act to amend an act entitled an act to amend and reduce into one, the several acts incorporating the town of Louisiana, and to organize the same into a city, approved March 10th, 1849;
- An act in relation to the estate of Gorman & Bowen;
- An act to define the boundary of Osage and Pulaski counties.

Very respectfully,

STERLING PRICE.

Mr. Britton, from the Committee on Enrolled bills, reported as follows (enrolled),

- An act to enter fractional township number fifty-eight, and range thirty-six, to township number fifty-eight, and range thirty-five, in Anderson county;
- An act to change the names of John E. Baker and Polly Ann Roberson of Oregon county;
- An act to legalize the sale of certain sixteenth section lands in Cedar county;
- An act for the relief of Mary Paine, executrix of Ballinger Paine, deceased, late of Holt county;
- An act to incorporate the St. Joseph Ice Company;
- An act for the relief of Peter Jones;
- An act to establish Georgetown Female Institute;
- An act to establish a State road from the mouth of Linnetto Houston;
- Memorial to Congress for a grant of land to aid in completing the Geological Survey of Missouri;
- Memorial to Congress for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad from the town of Savannah to the Iowa State line.

The question before the House being the adoption of the resolution offered by Mr. Hardin, this morning,

Mr. Hardin withdrew the resolution.

The question then being on rejecting the substitute offered by Mr. Reid for the amendment of Mr. Frost to House bill entitled,

An act to aid in the construction of the Pacific Railroad,

It was decided in the negative by the following vote, the yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Frost:

YEAES. Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Boyd, Brady, Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Clippard, Crosswhite, Graves, Dodson, Everett, Frost, Garth, Hardeman, Hartyard, Jennings, Jones, King, Lewis, of C., McAfee, McGary, McManis, McSpadden, Moore, Mothershead, Parcells, Phillips, Powers, Roberts, Shambaugh, Smith, of Sullivan, Tucker, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, Williams, of D., and Wyatt—35.

NOES. Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Braham, Bond, Bradford, Brackinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. Louis, Burnes, Clark, Cunningham, Dargy, Davis, Donlan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Ewing, Felt, Fagg, Farrar, Fegam, Field, Graves, Green, of E., Green, of L., Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardin, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffers,

Jackson, Layton, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, Minor, Moore, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Rollins, Shelton, Sisson, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, White, Williams, of H., Yates and Mr. Speaker—74.

Absent—Messrs. Chilton, Darnes, Kelly, McFarland, Medley and Nevill.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Phillips offered the following amendment as additional sections:

§ —. That the Pacific Railroad Company shall, on or before the first of July, A. D., 1855, commence work on the South-West Branch of the Pacific Railroad, and prosecute the same so fast as said Company can obtain funds applicable to said branch.

§ —. That each and every person who has become the owner of any improvement since the tenth day of June, A. D., 1852, made prior to that date, on any railroad lands located along the line of the South-Western Branch of the Pacific Railroad, shall have the same right of pre-emption and purchase as granted in the seventh section of an act entitled, "An act to accept a grant of land made to this State by the Congress of the United States, to aid in the construction of Railroads in this State, and to apply a portion to the Pacific Railroad," approved December 25th, 1852; *provided*, said person shall, before the first of January next, file in the Clerk's office a like notice as directed in the seventh section above referred to, also an affidavit of two residents of the county where said improvement was made, and how said claimant became the owner thereof.

§ —. That any pre-emption under this act, or any former act of this nature, shall be transferable, and the purchaser shall have all the rights of the original pre-emptors;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

Mr. Frost offered the following amendment:

Provided further, that said Pacific Railroad Company shall use all stock subscribed to the South-West Branch Railroad, and the whole of the million of bonds loaned said branch, and also the lands located along the line of said South-West Branch road and the proceeds thereof, and all money borrowed in whole or in part upon the faith of said lands, exclusively to the construction of said South-Western Branch Railroad, west of the diverging point;

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. Todd offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Add after the words "South-West Branch Road," "except the portion of said lands belonging to the first division of the Pacific Railroad from St. Louis to the point of divergence;"

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Field moved to lay the amendment and the amendment to the amendment, on the table;

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Frost :

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Cunningham, Darby, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Ewing, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Green, of Franklin, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardin, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, King, Layton, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McFarland, Medley, Mott, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Rollins, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. Louis, Standiford, Todd, White, Williams, of Henry, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—60.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Botts, Boyd, Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Burnes, Clippard, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Dodson, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Graves, Green, of L., Hardeman, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Jackson, Jones, McAfee, McCary, McSpadden, Minor, Moore, Morrow, Moseley, Parcels, Phillips, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker and Wyatt—45.

Absent—Messrs. Brady, Chilton, Darnes, Fagg, Kelly, Lewis, of C., McMahan, Moore, Mothersead, Nevill, Powers and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Excused from voting—Mr. Tucker.

Mr. Moore offered the following amendment :

Provided, that the State shall issue her bonds for the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars for the Cairo and Fulton Railroad Company, to be applied according to the provisions of a bill entitled, "an act to expedite the construction of the Cairo and Fulton Railroad," which bill was, on Saturday, the 24th inst., laid on the table ;

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Blair moved the previous question, which was not sustained.

Mr. Field moved to lay Mr. Moore's amendment on the table ;

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Moore :

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Botts, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Buford, Burnes, Cunningham, Darby, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Garth, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of Lewis, Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Hughes, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape Girardeau, McColloch, McFall, McFarland, Medley, Morrow,

Moseley, Mott, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton, Strong, Smith, of Pettib, Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Whitaker, White, Williams, of H., Yeats and Mr. Speaker—86.

NOES.—Messrs. Boggy, Boyd, Brady, Ballock, Clippard, Clark, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darnes, Dodson, Frost, Hardeman, Holmes, King, McAfee, McMahan, McSpadden, Minor, Moore, Monro, Percell, Smith, of S., Turney, Wall and Webb—26.

Absent.—Messrs. Britton, Chilton, Davis, Kelly, Mothershead, Nevill, Williams, of D., and Wyatt.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Hardin offered the following amendment as additional sections:

§ — There is hereby constituted a Board of Public Works, to consist of three members, who shall be appointed by the Governor, by and with the consent of the Senate, and who shall hold office for the term of four years, commencing March 20th, 1855, and it shall be their duty to examine from time to time, as may seem to them necessary, or as they shall be required so to do by the Governor, not less than once in each year, into the construction of the Pacific Railroad, and the management of the said Railroad Company, and for that purpose shall have access to the books and papers of said Company, and said Board shall, at least once in each year, report to the Governor all material particulars as to the construction of the road, and management of the Company; and in case said Board, or any two of them, shall have reason to believe that said Company have not made its expenditures, and conducted its affairs in good faith, it shall be their duty to report the same to the Governor, who may, if deemed necessary, cause further examination into the construction of the road and management of such Company to be made, to enable him to judge fully of the matter, and in case the Governor and a majority of said Board are of opinion that the expenditures of such company have not been made in good faith, in the spirit of this act, the Governor shall withhold the further issue of any State bonds, authorized by this or former acts of the General Assembly, from such Company, until such Company shall have rectified and remedied such misapplied expenditure in a manner satisfactory to the Governor and a majority of the said Board. The members of said Board shall be paid by the State, at the rate of five dollars for each member, for each day when on duty, and traveling expenses.

§ — This act shall not take effect as to said Company, unless said Company shall, within six months after the passage of the same, accept it as applicable to such Company, such acceptance to be executed by the President of the Company, under the corporate seal of such Company, and to be filed in the office of Secretary of State; and the provisions of this act shall become a law, from and after the date of the filing such acceptance, as above specified, and unless such acceptance be filed as aforesaid within six months, and until the filing of the same, this act is inoperative.

§ — Any person holding or owning any stock or other interest whatever in said Company, or any property thereof, shall not be qualified to be one of the Board of Public Works; and before entering upon the duties of his office, each member of the Board shall take an affidavit, that he will honestly and impartially discharge all the duties imposed upon him by law, and that he will not, whilst such officer, acquire, either directly or indirectly, any interest whatever in said Railroad Company, or any property thereof.

§ — Any vacancy in the office of Public Works shall be filled by appointment of the Governor;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to, by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Hardin:

AYES—Messrs. Apock, Alexander, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Borg, Bohannon, Bots, Boyd, Brady, Britton, Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Burnes, Clippard, Crosswhite, Crayens, Darby, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Farrar, Frost, Garth, Graves, Green, of F., Hardeman, Hardin, Herford, Hill, Holmes, Hughes, Isbell, Jackson, Jeffers, Jennings, Jones, Lewis, of St. L., McAfee, McFall, McMahan, McSpadden, Moore, Monro, Morrow, Murray, Parcels, Phillips, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Sitton, Smith, of P., Smith, of S., Standiford, Tucker, Turner, Webb, Whitaker, Williams, of Henry, and Mr. Speaker—67.

NOES—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Bradford, Brockbridge, Bullock, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Field, Green, of L., Harrison, Harris, Hickox, King, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McCarty, McLand, of Cape G., McCulloch, McFarland, Mosley, Mott, Neill, Patrick, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of St. L., Todd and Yeats—33.

Absent—Messrs. Brown, of J., Buford, Cannon, Eagan, Harding, Kelly, Layton, McCary, Medley, Minor, Mothersead, Nevill, Powers, Pratt, Wall, White, Williams, of D., and Wyatt.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Murray offered the following amendment, as an addition to the first section:

Provided, however, that the amount hereby appropriated when added to the bonds of the State already disposed of to the credit of the Company, shall not, at any time exceed the amount of county, city and personal subscriptions, expended on said road;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The question then being on agreeing to Mr. Reid's substitute, as amended;

The bill was then read a third time.

Mr. Green, of L., offered the following amendment by way of rider, as an additional section:

Nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to authorize any part of the moneys hereby appropriated to be applied to the payment of any debt or debts, already created, incurred or contracted by said Company, or any of its agents or representatives, but shall in good faith be applied to the further prosecution of the work on the road. A detailed report of the disposition of said appropriation is required of said Company;

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Reid, it was laid on the table.

The bill was then passed by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Bean :

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Bradford, Breckiaridge, Britton, Bullock, Burnes, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Green, of L., Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardin, Hickox, Hughes, Isbell, Jennings, Jones, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McFall, McFarland, McMahan, Medley, Minor, Moore, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Phillips, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Rollins, Sitton, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Williams, of Henry, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—64.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Bogy, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Drake, Everett, Field, Frost, Garth, Graves, Green, of F., Hardeman, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Jackson, Jeffress, McAfee, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McSpadden, Monro, Parcells, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Wall, Webb and Whitaker—41.

Absent—Messrs. Brown, of St. L., Buford, Dyer, Feagan, Kelly, King, Motherhead, Nevill, Powers, Turner, White, Williams, of D., and Wyatt.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Governor :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
City of Jefferson, Mo., March 1, 1855. }

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives :

GENTLEMEN : I have this day approved and signed bills of the following titles :

An act to establish a State road from Greenville, in Wayne county, to Gillis' Bluff on Black river, in Butler county ;

Concurrent resolution appointing committee to examine into the defalcation of the late Treasurer ;

An act to legalize the survey of a State road ;

An act to pay the funeral expenses &c., of the Hon. W. J. McMurtry, deceased, late a member of the House of Representatives, of Carroll county;

An act to incorporate the city of Chillicothe;

An act amendatory of act entitled, an act to establish a State road from Fredericktown, in the county of Madison, to Bloomfield, in the county of Stoddard;

An act in relation to swamp lands in the counties of New Madrid, Pemiscot, Mississippi, Scott, Cape Girardeau, Stoddard, Wayne, Ripley, Butler and Dunklin;

An act to change the name of Elias Alexander Knight to George W. Alexander;

An act to incorporate the Platte Mutual Insurance Company;

An act concerning ferries in Jefferson and Franklin counties;

An act for the relief of Martha J. Shirley;

An act incorporating the Monroe County Agricultural and Mechanical Society;

An act for the benefit of Louis A. Labeaume and Melanie Labeaume;

An act for the benefit of the heirs of John Denny, deceased;

An act concerning the Columbia and Missouri River Plank Road Company;

An act to authorize the curator of James Prather to lease land;

An act to incorporate Eagle Temperance Union, No. 11.

An act authorizing a free person of color to remain in the State until he arrives at the age of twenty-one years;

A bill to incorporate a Hotel Company in the city of St. Charles, to be called the Missouri House Company, in honor of the late James Morrison;

An act to incorporate the Pleasant Retreat Female Seminary in the city of Boonville;

An act concerning the Glasgow Insurance Company.

Very respectfully,

STERLING PRICE.

Mr. Britton, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles:

An act to authorize Bela M. Hughes, curator of the estates of Paul Coburn and William B. Richardson, to sell certain lands in the State of Illinois;

An act to legalize the sale of lots in the town of Bloomfield, in Stoddard county;

An act to exempt the counties of Mercer and Daviess from the operations of an act, approved March 3d, 1851, entitled, an act to provide for and laying out roads and highways in the several counties of this State;

An act to declare certain parts of the public square in the town of Bloomington, Macon county, Missouri, added to the alleys as a public highway;

An act to change the time of holding courts in Dent county, in the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit of Missouri;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to change a State road in Boone county;

An act for the relief of Gabriel Helms, a free man of color;

An act to incorporate the Bruce and High School; and
 An act to authorize the collection of toll bridges across the Chautauque
 river at Ninevah, in Adair county;

Message from the Senate by Mr. Petry, a Senator;

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of
 Representatives, that bills of the following titles have passed the Senate:

An act for the improvement of North Grand river;
 A bill to establish the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit and for other purposes;
 Proposed amendments to the Constitution in relation to per diem of
 members of the General Assembly;

House bills of the following titles have passed the Senate:

An act for the sale of certain land in the county of Adair;
 An act entitled, an act concerning the courts in the Seventh Judicial
 Circuit;

Concurrent resolutions instructing the committee on revision.

The Senate has substituted for House bill entitled,

An act to legalize and confirm the title to a deed of conveyance from
 Leland Bernice Hawkins to William Buford;

A Senate bill entitled,

An act for the benefit of Leland R. Hawkins;

The Senate has passed joint resolution entitled,

Joint resolutions for the appointment of Commissioners to examine
 certain railroads.

The Speaker announced the appointment of Messrs. Britten and Pagg
 as the committee on the part of the House, under a concurrent resolu-
 tion entitled,

Concurrent resolution appointing committee to examine into the defec-
 tation of the late Treasurer.

On motion of Mr. Pogg;

The House adjourned until 7 o'clock, this evening.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary;

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House that
 the President of the Senate has signed enrolled Senate bills of the fol-
 lowing titles:

An act for the relief of Robert C. Williams and Andrew Lockridge,
 of Daviess county, Missouri;

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to establish a State road
 from the town of St. Charles on the Missouri river, to the town Mexico,
 in Audrain county, approved February 11th, 1847;

An act to change the name of Elizabeth Nabring to that of Elizabeth
 Thomas;

An act for the relief of Jubal Hunt and others;

An act to change the time of holding circuit courts in the county of Livingston;

An act to provide for paying jurors in Cole county;

A bill to incorporate the Hope Company;

An act to incorporate Howard Lodge, No. 4, of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons;

An act to incorporate the St. Louis Rolling Mill Company;

An act to change the location of a part of the State road leading from Boonville to Lexington;

An act to incorporate the St. Louis Savings Institution;

An act for the relief of the heirs of Wiley Dunn, late of Carroll county;

An act for the relief of Thomas C. Thompson, Clerk of the circuit court of Marion;

An act concerning the School Lands in township number fifty-three, range six, west;

An act to incorporate the City University, of St. Louis;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to establish the Lebanon Academy;

An act for the relief of Henry C. Wellman and William O. Young;

An act for the benefit of Lewis A. Summers, of Cooper county;

An act concerning the Road and Canal Land in Osage county;

An act to relieve James H. Scrugs, of Bates county, Mo.;

An act for the sale of certain real estate in Stone county;

An act to change a portion of a State road leading from Tippecanoe, in Schuyler county, by way of Memphis, to Alexandria, in Clark county;

An act to change a State road in Shelby county;

An act to supply the county of Gasconade with copies of certain books;

An act to incorporate Woods Academy, in the city of Louisiana;

A bill to establish a State road from Weston to Atchison;

An act for the relief of the county of Cedar;

An act to incorporate the stockholders of Carroll Academy;

An act for the relief of M. F. Crouch, late Sheriff of Newton county;

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act declaring the present county road from the town of Lexington, in Lafayette county, to the county line of Johnson county by James Greer's State road, and for other purposes, approved January 28th, 1867;

An act to authorize the county court of Scotland county to borrow money for certain purposes;

The President of the Senate has also signed House bills entitled,

An act to legalize the marriage of J. M. D. Carnes and Margaret Blackwell;

An act to authorize the county court of Clinton county to apportion certain school money;

An act to view and mark out a State road from Westport, in Jackson county to the south-west corner of the State;

An act to provide for paying petit jurors in Atchison county;

An act amendatory of an act for a uniform jury law, and to provide for the payment of jurors, approved March 1st, 1861;

An act to establish a State road from the town of Lura, in Clark county, to the Iowa line, in Scotland county;

An act to authorize the county court of Cole county to change a portion of a State road;

An act to pay grand jurors in Schuyler county;

An act to provide for the election of County School Commissioners in the counties of Adair, Lewis and Franklin;

An act to incorporate the Melville Male and Female Academy, of Dade county;

An act to authorize Joseph Leedom and others to erect a mill-dam across Chariton river, in Schuyler county;

An act for the incorporation of Agricultural and Mechanical Societies in the counties of Ralls, Pike and Lincoln;

An act to incorporate the Callaway County Home Mutual Fire Insurance Company;

An act incorporating a ferry at the city of Louisiana;

An act to incorporate the Ste. Genevieve Glass Company;

An act to incorporate Monticello Lodge, No. 58, of Free and Accepted Masons;

An act to authorize the sale of certain lands situate in the county of Jefferson;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Benton Mining Company

An act to change a State road;

An act to incorporate the Lafayette County Mutual Fire Insurance Company;

An act to appropriate money;

A bill to authorize Mrs. Mary Mourtry to convey real estate;

An act to incorporate the Western Missouri Railroad Company;

An act to declare a county road a State road, in Polk county;

Memorial to Congress asking a grant of land to the Western Missouri railroad;

An act for the relief of Robert Stewart, Collector of Pemiscot county;

An act concerning evidence;

An act in relation to selling liquor in the county of Platte;

An act to change the name of Rebecca Smith;

An act amendatory of an act for the benefit of congressional townships 51 and 52, in Carroll county;

An act to authorize the county court of Sullivan county to levy a special tax, to build a court house;

An act to authorize Henry Teague to sell certain land;

An act to authorize the sale of real estate;

An act for the benefit of the treasurers of Pemiscot, Sullivan and Bollinger;

An act granting the Des Moines river Navigation and Railroad Company the right of way;

An act regulating the practice of issuing process in justices courts in the city of St. Louis;

An act for the relief of J. P. Williams, of Johnson county;

An act to incorporate the town of Danville;

An act to change a State road in Miller county;

An act for the relief of Wm. A. Whitehead, Collector of Stoddard county;

An act to change the name of Peter Hintershit and five others;

- An act for the benefit of Sarah Manuel, of Cape Girardeau county;
- An act to change part of a State road leading from Springfield to Buffalo;
- An act to change the name of Eliza Jane Gunby;
- An act to authorize the sale of certain real estate in Warren county for partition.

Third reading of bills being in order :

House bill entitled,

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act concerning dower, approved March 24, 1845 ;

Together with a substitute of the same title,

Were taken up, when,

Mr. Hardin moved the rejection of the substitute ;

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Green, of L., offered the following amendment to the second section :

Strike out "fifteen months" and insert "six months;"

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Hardin, was rejected.

Mr. Todd offered the following amendment to the first section, by adding the word "intestate," after the word "die," in the first line thereof ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, and read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Britton,

The bill, together with the amendment, were laid on the table.

Senate Constitutional amendment entitled,

Amendment to the Constitution in relation to banking ;

Was taken up, and read a second time.

Senate Constitutional amendment entitled,

Amendment to the Constitution in relation to *per diem* of members of the General Assembly ;

Was taken up and read a first time.

House bill entitled,

An act to exempt from taxation certain lands sold by the State of Missouri ;

Was taken up, and read a third time, when,

Mr. Dorris offered the following amendment by way of rider :

That all those persons who have paid taxes on such lands, shall be entitled to receive back from the treasury of the State, the amount of such taxes so paid, and to enable them to get the benefit of this law, the Auditor is required to draw his warrant upon the Treasurer for such amounts in favor of the persons who have paid such taxes, and that upon application to the county courts in such counties as have collected county taxes from such lands, that said courts shall order all such taxes so collected to be refunded in like manner.

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Blair, was laid on the table.

Mr. Doniphan, of P., offered the following amendment by way of rider:

Add after the word "thereof," provided the same was entered previous to June 10th, 1852 ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then passed by the following vote, the ayes and nays being demanded by Mr. Cunningham:

AYES—Messrs. Alexander, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Blair, Boggs, Bohnannon, Boyd, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Buford, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Clark, Cunningham, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of Clay, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorriss, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Feagan, Field, Green, of F., Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jones, Lightner, McAfee, McCary, McGarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McFarland, McMahan, Medley, Monroe, Morrow, Mosley, Mothershead, Nevill, Patrick, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Rollins, Shambaugh, Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, White, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—81.

NOES—Messrs. Baker, Botts, Bullock, Cravens, Davis, Frost, Garth, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Miner, Mott, Murray, Sutton, Webb and Whitaker—14.

Absent—Messrs. Acock, Brown, of N., Crosswhite, Farrar, Harding, Jackson, Jennings, Kelly, King, Layton, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, McSpadden, Moore, Neill, Parcell, Phillips, Roberts, Shelton, Smith, of P., and Webb.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

House bill entitled,

An act establishing limited partnerships.

Was taken up, read a third time and passed.

House bill entitled,

An act for the relief of Littleton H. Conklin, late Sheriff of Schuyler county;

Was taken up, read a third time and passed.

Mr. Dorriss, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to establish a Court of Common Pleas in the town of Parkville;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Buford, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to amend an act entitled, "an act to incorporate the Mississippi Valley Railroad North," approved February 23d, 1853;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Bullock, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act concerning evidence;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Dodson, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to establish a State road from the town of Linn Creek to the County Seat of Vernon county, which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Acock, on leave, introduced a bill entitled
A bill to prohibit dram-shop license, unless a majority of tax payers petition for it, which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when Mr. Harrison moved to lay the bill on the table.
Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Harrison:

AYES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Blair, Bagy, Britton, Brown, of St. L., Buford, Chilton, Clark, Cunningham, Davis, Dyer, Fagg, Frost, Garth, Graves, Green, of F., Harrison, Hardeman, Hill, Holmes, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, McAfee, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McFarland, McMahan, Murray, Reid, Ritchey, Rollins, Shambaugh, Sitton, Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Turner and Williams, of D.—41.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnes, Clippard, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorriss, Everett, Ewing, Feagan, Green, of L., Harris, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Lewis, of G., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McCulloch, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monroe, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Smith, of H., Todd, Tucker, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt and Mr. Speaker—53.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Brown, of N., Bullock, Crosswhite, Fant, Farrar, Field, Gentry, Harding, Jackson, Kelly, King, Layton, McFall, McShaden, Morrow, Rancolle, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Shelton, White and Yeats.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Blair moved to refer the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary; which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Acock:

AYES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Barrett, Blair, Bagy, Botts, Britton, Brown, of St. L., Burnes, Chilton, Cunningham, Fagg, Farrar, Graves, Green, of F., Harrison, Hardeman, Hill, Holmes, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, McAfee, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McFarland, McMahan, Mott, Murray, Nevill, Reid, Sitton, Smith, of St. L., Standiford, Todd and Turner—39.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Bean, Blakey, Boyd, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Clippard, Cravens, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Frost, Green, of L., Lewis, Harris, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Lewis, of G., Lewis, of St. L.,

Lightner, McCary, McColloch, Medley, Minor, Moore, Moseley, Neill, Patrick, Ritchey, Rollins, Smith, of P., Smith, of Sullivan, Tucker, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt and Mr. Speaker—45.

Absent—Messrs. Bohannon, Brady, Brown, of N., Buford, Bullock, Crosswhite, Darby, Doniphan, of C., Dorriss, Dyer, Everett, Fant, Field, Garth, Harding, Jackson, Kelly, King, Layton, McFall, McSpadden, Monro, Morrow, Mothersead, Parcells, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, White, Williams, of D., and Yates.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

On motion of Mr. Tucker,
The House adjourned.

FRIDAY MORNING, MARCH 2D, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.
Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that the President of the Senate has signed Enrolled House bills of the following titles :

An act to authorize Bela M. Hughes, curator of the estates of Paul Coburn and Wm. B. Richardson, to sell certain lands in the State of Illinois ;

An act to legalize the sale of lots in the town of Bloomfield, in Stoddard county ;

An act to exempt the counties of Mercer and Daviess, from the operations of an act approved March 3d, 1851, entitled, an act to provide for laying out roads and highways in the several counties in this State ;

An act to declare certain parts of the Public Square, in Bloomington, Macon county, added to the alleys as a public highway ;

An act to change the time of holding courts in Dent county ;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to change a State road in Boone county, approved February 28th, 1851 ;

An act for the relief of Gabriel Helms, a free man of color ;

An act to incorporate the Brazeau High School ;

An act to authorize the erection of a toll bridge across the Chariton river, at Ninevah, in Adair county ;

An act to change the names of John E. Baker and Polly Ann Roberson, of Oregon county ;

- An act to establish Georgetown Female Institute ;
 - An act to establish a State road from the mouth of Linn to Houston ;
 - An act for the relief of Peter Jones ;
 - An act to incorporate the St. Joseph Ice Company ;
 - An act for the relief of Mary Paine, executrix of Ballinger Paine, dec'd, late of Holt county ;
 - An act to legalize the sales of certain 16th section lands in Cedar county ;
 - An act to annex fractional townships No. 58, and range 36, in Andrew county, to township 58, range 36 ;
 - Memorial to Congress for a grant of land to aid in completing a Geological Survey of Missouri ;
 - Memorial to the Congress of the United States.
- Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed :
- A bill to appropriate money to the improvement of the navigation of White river ;
 - An act for the benefit of the securities of Seth B. Howard, late Sheriff of Benton county.

Mr. Sitton, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles :

- An act appropriating money for the support and enlargement of the State Lunatic Asylum ;
- An act for the relief of James Patten and others ;
- An act authorizing the guardian of Mary Ann Seppy to convey lands ;
- An act amendatory of an act to authorize the formation of Associations to construct Plank Roads and McAdamized Roads, approved February 27th, 1851 ;
- An act to revive and amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Savannah and St. Joseph Railroad Company ;
- An act concerning fines and forfeitures in Dent county ;
- An act granting certain powers to the county court of Callaway county ;
- An act for the relief of Stephen F. Nuckolls ;
- An act to authorize the sale of real estate ;
- An act to pay jurors in Livingston county ;
- An act to authorize the county court of Taney county to borrow money ;
- An act to incorporate the Bloomfield Academy ;
- An act to incorporate the St. Joseph City Company ,
- An act in relation to the heirs of Robert Adkins, deceased ;
- An act to incorporate Friendship Lodge, No. 89, of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons ;
- An act concerning elections ;
- An act to change the name of Mrs. Emma Ruth ;
- An act to authorize Helene Müller, of St. Charles county, to sell certain real estate ;
- An act to incorporate the Clay County Agricultural and Mechanical Society ;
- An act for the relief of David Mitchell ;
- An act to authorize the erection of a toll bridge in Jefferson county, across Big River ;

An act for the relief of John Chappell.

Mr. Doniphan, of P., from the Committee on Engrossed bills, reported as truly engrossed, a bill entitled,

An act amendatory of an act to provide for levying, assessing and collecting the revenue, approved March 27th, 1845.

Mr. Britton moved to correct the journals of the night session of yesterday, in relation to the reading of House bill entitled,

A bill to prohibit dramshop license, unless a majority of tax payers petition;

Which is entered on the journal as having been read a first time, rule suspended, and read a second time, and make the same read as having been read a first time only.

Mr. Minor moved to lay Mr. Britton's motion on the table.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Britton:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Bean, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnes, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dyer, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Frost, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Jeffress, Jennings Jones, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McCulloch, McFall, Medley, Minor, Moore, Monro, Morrow, Moseley, Mothersead, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Powers, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Sitton, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, Williams, of Henry, and Wyatt—66.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Barrett, Bogy, Boyd, Brady, Britton, Clark, Everett, Fagg, Fant, Graves, Harrison, Holmes, Hughes, Isbell, McAfee, McFarland, Murray, Pratt, Reid, Shelton and Turner—23.

Absent—Messrs. Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Bradford, Brown, of St. L., Buford, Bullock, Chilton, Cunningham, Donelan, Farrar, Garth, King, McMahan, McSpadden, Mott, Phillips, Rollins, White and Williams, of Daviess.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Burnet, Gilstrap, Guitar, McClain, of St. C., and Morgan.

Sick—Messrs. Gentry, Houghton, Howell and Smith, of Bollinger.

Excused from voting—Messrs. Botts, Brown, of N., Dorriass, Goode, Jackson, Kelly, Layton, Parcells, Yeats and Mr. Speaker.

The third reading of bills being in order:

House bill entitled,

A bill to prohibit dramshop license, unless a majority of tax payers petition;

Was taken up, when,

Mr. Holmes offered the following amendment as an additional section:

This act shall only apply to the counties of Polk and Schuyler.

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Hardin, it was laid on the table.

Mr. Doniphan, of P., offered the following amendment :

Strike out the first section of the bill down to the word "provided," and insert in lieu thereof the following :

No license shall be granted to any person to keep a dramshop, unless he shall present to the county court at the time of making his application, a petition signed by a majority of the tax paying citizens of the city, town or township, in which such dramshop is proposed to be kept, asking for the granting of such license to the person applying therefor. In the city of St. Louis, it shall only be necessary to have such petition signed by a majority of the persons doing business and residing within the block, the front of the block opposite, where such dramshop is proposed to be kept. The bill not to affect any town that has an established law in reference to dramshops.

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when, Mr. Goode offered the following amendment to the amendment :

Provided, it shall not be lawful for any one who shall have obtained a license in accordance with the provisions of this act, to keep open his shop or tavern to sell any ardent spirits on the Sabbath, or on any day on which there may be a ward, city, county or State election, whether special or general ;

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Goode moved the previous question, which was sustained.

The amendment to the amendment was then read a second time and agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to the amendment as amended, it was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Hughes :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnes, Clippard, Cunningham, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Dorris, Everett, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Goode, Heryford, Hickox, King, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, Moore, Nevill, Patrick, Phillips, Smith, of P., Todd, Williams, of D., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—38.

NOES—Messrs. Aceek, Alexander, Baker, Bean, Blair, Bogy, Britton, Brown, of N., Brown, of St. Louis, Buford, Chilton, Clark, Cravens, Davis, Donelan, Drake, Dyer, Fagg, Fant, Frost, Garth, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffers, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, Layton, McAfee, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McFarland, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Minor, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Motherhead, Murray, Neill, Parcells, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Standiford, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of Henry—73.

Absent—Messrs. Barrett, Bradford, Bullock, Farrar, Jackson, Monro, Rollins and Sitten.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Messrs. Crosswhite, Gentry, Houghton and Smith, of B.

The bill was then read a third time.

The question being on the passage of the bill, it was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Holmes :

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Clippard, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Donelan, Drake, Ewing, Feagan, Field, Green, of L., Harding, Harris, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Howell, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCary, Medley, Minor, Moore, Neill, Patrick, Phillips, Roberts, Smith, of P., Tucker, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—42.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Barrett, Blair, Bogy, Botts, Britton, Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Buford, Burnes, Chilton, Clark, Cunningham, Davis, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Frost, Garth, Goode, Graves, Green, of Franklin, Harrison, Hardeman, Hill, Holmes, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Layton, McAfee, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McFarland, McMahan, McSpadden, Monro, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Murray, Nevill, Parcells, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of St. Louis, Standiford, Todd, Turner, Webb, Whitaker and Williams, of Davis—70.

Absent—Messrs. Brady, Bradford, Bullock, Jackson, Rollins, Smith, of S., and White.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

House bill entitled,

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to provide for levying, assessing and collecting the revenue, approved March 27th, 1845,

Was taken up, read a third time and passed by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Frost :

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Brady, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Clark, Cunningham, Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Goode, Green, of F., Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, King, Layton, Lightner, McAfee, McCarty, McColloch, McFarland, Medley, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Murray, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Roberts, Rollins, Sitton, Smith, of Pettis, Smith, of St. Louis, Standiford, Todd, Turner, Williams, of Henry, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—56.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd,

Brown, of N., Buford, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Cravens, Darby, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Drake, Dyer, Fant, Frost, Garth, Graves, Green, of L., Harrison, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Howell, Jones, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McLane, of Cape G., McFall, McMahan, McSpadden, Minor, Moore, Monroe, Morrow, Neill, Nevill, Ritchey, Shelton, Smith, of S., Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White and Williams, of D.—50.

Absent—Messrs. Bradford, Bullock, Darnes, Doniphan, of C., Jackson, Kelly, McCary, Parcells, Phillips, Powers, Shambaugh, Tucker and Wyatt

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Bean, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, a bill of the following title,

An act to incorporate the city of De Soto.

Senate constitutional amendment entitled,

Amendment to the Constitution in relation to per diem of members of the General Assembly,

Was taken up and read a second time.

Senate constitutional amendment entitled,

Amendment to the Constitution in relation to Banking,

Was taken up and read a third time, when,

Mr. Blair offered the following amendment:

Provided, however, that the State of Missouri shall never hold any stock or own any interest in any bank which may be chartered by the Legislature of this State;

Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Webb,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that a bill of the following title has been introduced into the Senate:

An act for the benefit of Wm. Vanover.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed:

A bill to incorporate the Hannibal Insurance Company;

An act concerning the estate of James Oliver, deceased;

An act for the benefit of the heirs of Newton Wilson, deceased;

An act granting power to certain persons to build a bridge;

- An act to incorporate the Missouri Reliance Insurance Company;
- An act to unite a portion of townships 63 and 64, in range 10, for school purposes;
- An act to amend an act entitled, "an act to erect a monument to the memory of Lewis F. Linn and David Barton," approved Feb. 23, 1853;
- Joint resolutions requiring certain duties of the Committee appointed by the Governor to examine the condition of the Register's office;
- An act to authorize James Clemens, of St. Louis, to lease the real estate of his minor children.
- Bills of the following titles have passed the Senate:
- An act for the establishment and improvement of roads in St. Louis county;
- An act to amend an act respecting the assessor of St. Louis county;
- House bill of the following title has passed the Senate:
- An act to aid in the construction of the Pacific Railroad.
- House bill of the following title has been reconsidered and rejected by the Senate:
- An act to provide for laying out and repairing roads and highways in Boone and Cole counties.
- A bill of the following title has been introduced into the Senate and rejected:
- An act supplementary to an act entitled, an act regulating interest.
- A bill of the following title has also been introduced into the Senate and passed:
- An act supplementary and explanatory of an act to aid in the construction of the Pacific Railroad.

Mr. Bean, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles:

- An act for the relief of James C. Waugh, William W. Waugh and Robert F. Waugh, minor children of Jas. Waugh, of St. Louis, Missouri;
- An act to organize the county of Maries;
- An act to incorporate Jackson Lodge No. 82, of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons;
- An act to provide for the payment of Petit Jurors in the county of Pettis;
- An act amendatory of "an act respecting Executors and Administrators," approved March 26th, 1845;
- An act concerning the swamp lands in the counties of Scott, Cape Girardeau, Mississippi, New Madrid, Pemiscot, Dunklin, Ripley, Wayne and Butler;
- An act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of Ancient Order of Good Fellows, of the State of Missouri;
- An act to regulate and pay Grand and Petit Jurors in the counties of Cape Girardeau, Gasconade and Osage;
- An act to incorporate the Mound City Land and Building Association;
- An act for the relief of Thomas Hambrick;
- An act amending the charter of the city of Lagrange;
- An act to change a State road in Ralls county;
- An act to prevent trespasses in the county of Atchison;
- An act to quiet titles in the city of Weston;
- An act to authorize the county court of Adair county to borrow money;

An act to authorize Isaac Gray to keep a ferry across the Des Moines river, at the town of Athens, in the county of Clark, Missouri;

An act to change the names of John T. Greenwood, Henry Greenwood, Ruth E. Greenwood, David L. Greenwood and George Greenwood, of Butler county;

An act for the benefit of the heirs of Urban Billingsley, late of the county of Cooper;

An act for the benefit of Marion Wells;

Memorial relating to the Mississippi Valley Railroad.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Governor:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
City of Jefferson, Mo., March 2d, 1855. }

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives:

GENTLEMEN: I have this day approved and signed bills of the following titles:

An act to incorporate the Western Missouri Railroad Company;

An act to legalize the marriage of Josiah M. Carnes and Margaret Blackwell;

An act authorizing the county court of Clinton county to apportion certain school money;

An act to view and mark out a State road from Westport, in Jackson county, to the south-west corner of the State;

An act to provide for paying petit jurors in Atchison county;

An act amendatory of an act for a uniform jury law, and to provide for the payment of jurors, approved March 1st, 1851;

An act to establish a State road from the town of Lura, in Clark county, to the Iowa line, in Scotland county;

An act to authorize the county court of Cole county to change a portion of a State road;

An act to pay Grand and Petit Jurors in Schuyler county;

An act to provide for the election of the County School Commissioner in the counties of Adair, Lewis and Franklin;

An act to incorporate the Melville Male and Female Academy, in the town of Melville, in the county of Dade;

An act to authorize Joseph Leedom, Thomas McGoldrick and George Leedom to erect a mill-dam across the Chariton river, in Schuyler county;

An act for the incorporation of Agricultural and Mechanical Societies in the counties of Ralls, Pike and Lincoln;

An act to incorporate the Callaway County Home Mutual Fire Insurance Company; and also, the Cole County Home Mutual Fire Insurance Company;

An act incorporating a ferry at the city of Louisiana.

An act to incorporate the Ste. Genevieve Glass Company;

An act to incorporate Monticello Lodge, No. 58, of Free and Accepted Masons;

An act to authorize the sale of certain lands situate in the county of Jefferson;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Benton Mining Company, approved February 8th, 1843;

An act to change a State road;

An act to incorporate the Lafayette County Mutual Fire Insurance Company;

An act to appropriate money;

A bill to authorize Mrs. Mary Mourtry to convey real estate;

An act to declare a county road a State road in Polk county;

A memorial to Congress asking a grant of land to the Western Missouri Railroad;

An act for the relief of Robert Stewart, Collector of Pemiscot county;

An act concerning evidence;

An act in relation to selling liquor in the county of Platte;

An act to change the name of Rebecca Smith;

An act amendatory of an act for the benefit of Congressional Townships number fifty-one and fifty-two, in Carroll county;

An act to authorize the County Court of Sullivan county to levy a special tax;

An act to authorize Henry Teague to sell certain lands;

An act to authorize the sale of real estate;

An act for the benefit of the Treasurers of the counties of Pemiscot, Sullivan and Bollinger;

An act granting the Des Moines River Navigation and Railroad Company the right of way;

An act regulating the practice of issuing process in justices courts in the city of St. Louis.

An act for the relief of S. P. Williams, of Johnson county;

An act to incorporate the town of Danville;

An act to change a State road in Miller county;

An act for the relief of Wm. A. Whitehead, Collector of Stoddard county;

An act to change the name of Peter Hintershit and five others;

An act to change the name of Eliza Jane Gunby;

An act to change a portion of a State road leading from Springfield to Buffalo;

An act for the benefit of Sarah Manuel, of Cape Girardeau county;

An act to authorize the sale of certain real estate in Warren county, for partition.

I am, very respectfully,

STERLING PRICE.

The third reading of bills being still in order:

Mr. Minor called up House bill entitled,

An act for the government of the State Lunatic Asylum and the care of the insane;

Which was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Harrison, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act for the support of government for the years 1855 and 1856;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,

Mr. Bean offered the following amendment:

Strike out "eight hundred dollars," whenever it occurs in so much of the act as relates to clerk hire, and insert "six hundred dollars;"

Which was read a first time, and,
On motion of Mr. Reid,
It was laid on the table by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Bean :

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Baker, Barrett, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of N., Burnes, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of Clay, Doniphan, of Platte, Dorris, Fagg, Farrah, Field, Frost, Garth, Goode, Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Howell, Hughes, King, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McFarland, Medley, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Murray, Nevill, Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Reid, Rollins, Shambaugh, Tucker, White, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—52.

NOES—Messrs. Bean, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Brown, of J., Clippard, Clark, Cravens, Drake, Dyer, Ewing, Feagan, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harding, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Layton, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McMahan, Pratt, Ritchey, Roberts, Shelton, Sitton, Standiford, Turner, Webb, Whitaker and Williams, of H.—88.

Absent—Messrs. Blakey, Bradford, Brown, of St. Louis, Buford, Bullock, Chilton, Cunningham, Darby, Darnes, Everett, Fant, Jackson, Jones, Kelly, Lewis, of C., McAfee, McSpadden, Minor, Moore, Monro, Neill, Parcells, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Todd, Wall, Williams of D., and Wyatt.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Mothersead offered the following amendment :

Insert, for the Auditor of Public Accounts, Treasurer and Register, the sum of seventeen hundred and fifty dollars and no fees, and to the Auditor and Treasurer, clerk hire to the amount of eight hundred dollars each, and to the Register clerk hire to the amount of eighteen hundred dollars; and the salary and fees of the Secretary of State shall be as now fixed by law, and he shall be allowed clerk hire to the amount of eight hundred dollars;

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. McCarty, it was laid on the table.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Blair, on leave introduced a bill entitled,

An act for the relief of Eliza McMurtry ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER : The President of the Senate has signed enrolled House bill entitled,

An act to organize the county of Maries.

Mr. Doniphan, of C., on leave, called up Senate bill entitled,
A bill to organize Webster county;
Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,
Mr. Jones moved to postpone the bill until the first Monday in November next.

Mr. Darnes moved the previous question,
Which was sustained.

The question then being on postponing the bill until the first Monday in November next;

It was decided in the affirmative.

The question being on agreeing to Mr. Blair's amendment to Senate constitutional amendment entitled,

Amendment to the Constitution in relation to banking.

Mr. Goode moved to lay the amendment on the table;

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Blair:

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Clippard, Cravens, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Field, Frost, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, McAfee, McCary, Medley, Minor, Moore, Moseley, Motherhead, Neill, Nevill, Patrick, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Whitaker, White, Williams, of D., Williams, of H., Yeats and Mr. Speaker—60.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Blair, Bogy, Brady, Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Burnes, Clark, Donelan, Dorris, Fant, Garth, Green, of F., Hill, Holmes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, McFarland, Morrow, Murray, Parcells, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Shambaugh, Sitton, Smith, of St. Louis, Standiford and Webb—37.

Absent—Messrs. Alexander, Botts, Bradford, Buford, Bullock, Chilton, Cunningham, Darby, Feagan, Harding, Howell, Jackson, Layton, Lightner, McMahan, McSpadden, Monro, Mott, Phillips, Smith, of P., Smith, of S., and Wyatt.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Blair offered the following amendment as an additional amendment:

Section—In all banks hereafter created by the Legislature of this State, the individual stockholders in such banks shall be liable for all debts of said bank, and such liability shall continue, notwithstanding any subsequent transfer of such stock or shares, for the term of one year after the record of the transfer thereof, on the books of the bank, and for the term of six months after judgment recovered against such bank in any suit, commenced within the year aforesaid;

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Field,

It was laid on the table by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. King:

AYES—Messrs. Barrett, Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bohannon, Boyd, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Bullock, Clippard, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dyer, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Goode, Graves, Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McAfee, McCarty, McMahan, Moore, Moseley, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of P., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, White, Williams, of H., Yeats and Mr. Speaker—56.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Blair, Bogy, Brady, Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Burnes, Clark, Cravens, Donelan, Dorris, Everett, Fant, Green, of F., Green, of L., Hill, Holmes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Lightner, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, Medley, Minor, Morrow, Mott, Parcels, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Sitton, Smith, of St. Louis, Standford, Webb and Whitaker—42.

Absent—Messrs. Botts, Bradford, Buford, Chilton, Cunningham, Darby, Harding, Howell, Jackson, Layton, McCary, McFarland, McSpadden, Monro, Mothersead, Nevill, Phillips, Powers, Smith, of S., Williams, of D., and Wyatt.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

The amendment was then read and passed by the following vote:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blakey, Bogy, Bohannon, Boyd, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Bullock, Burnes, Clippard, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Holmes, Hughes, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McAfee, McCarty, McFarland, McMahan, Minor, Moore, Moseley, Mott, Murray, Neill, Parcels, Patrick, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shelton, Smith, of Pettis, Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Williams, of H., Yeats and Mr. Speaker—73.

NOES—Messrs. Alexander, Blair, Brady, Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Clark, Cravens, Donelan, Fant, Green, of F., Hill, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, Medley, Morrow, Pratt, Shambaugh, Smith, of St. L., and Standford—27.

Absent—Messrs. Botts, Bradford, Buford, Chilton, Darby, Frost, Harding, Jackson, Layton, McSpadden, Monro, Mothersead, Nevill, Phillips, Powers, Sitton, Smith, of S., Williams, of D., and Wyatt.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Bogy, on leave, called up House bill entitled;

An act for the regulating and management of the State library ;

Which was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Blair, on leave, called up Senate bill entitled,

An act supplemental and explanatory of an act to aid in the construction of the Pacific railroad ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Britton, on leave, called up Senate bill entitled,

A bill to expedite the construction of the Mississippi Valley Railroad North ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, five hundred copies ordered to be printed, and made the special order of the day for the first Monday of November next.

Mr. Yeats, from the Committee on Enrolled bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles :

An act amending an act concerning Ferries, applicable to St. Louis and Jefferson counties ;

An act concerning the duties of Sheriff and Marshal in the county of St. Louis, in relation to the levy and sale of such property under execution or attachment as may be claimed by third persons ;

An act to make the offices of Public Administrator and County Treasurer, in Henry county, elective ;

An act to amend an act to establish a Court of Common Pleas in the city of Hannibal, approved March 27th, 1845, and to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Hannibal, approved Feb. 21, 1845 ;

An act to incorporate the St. Joseph Hotel Company ;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad Company ;

An act to vacate certain streets in the town of Athens, in Gentry co. ;

An act to authorize Reuben Carter to sell certain real estate ;

An act incorporating the town of Augusta, in the county of St. Charles ;

An act to incorporate the Mechanics' and Orphans' Savings' Institution of Louisiana ;

An act to relinquish escheated property ;

An act to amend an act concerning the collection of the revenue in Platte county ;

An act to change the name of Alvira Roby, of Marion county ;

An act to regulate the fees of the Judge of the Probate Court of the county of Andrew ;

An act respecting the Independence and Missouri Railroad Company in Jackson county ;

An act for the relief of certain school districts in Lafayette county ;

An act for the relief of Eliza McMurtry ;

An act to aid the construction of the Pacific Railroad.

Mr. Smith, of P., on leave, from the Committee on the Penitentiary, submitted a report, which was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Blair,

The House adjourned until 7 o'clock, this evening.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that the President of the Senate has signed enrolled Senate bills of the following titles:

An act to incorporate the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Savings' Institution;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Glasgow and Huntsville Plank Road Company, approved February 15th, 1851;

An act to incorporate the Prairie Point Academy in Pettis township, Platte county, Missouri;

An act to view, mark out and establish a State road in Clay and Platte counties;

An act to change the time of holding courts in the third judicial circuit;

An act to incorporate a Ferry in Platte county;

An act concerning the clerk of the county court of Crawford county;

An act to incorporate the Carthage Female Academy;

An act to incorporate the Randolph County Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

The President of the Senate has also signed Enrolled House bills entitled:

An act appropriating money for the support and enlargement of the State Lunatic Asylum;

A bill for the relief of David Mitchell;

An act to authorize the erection of a toll bridge in Jefferson county, across Big river;

An act for the relief of John Chappell;

An act in relation to the heirs of Robert Adkins, deceased;

A bill for the relief of James Patton and others;

An act to authorize Helene Muller, of St. Charles county, to sell certain real estate;

An act to incorporate the St. Joseph City Company;

An act to authorize the county court of Taney county to borrow money;

An act to pay jurors in Livingston county;

An act to authorize the sale of real estate;

An act concerning fines and forfeitures in Dent county;

An act to authorize the guardian of Mary Ann Seppy to convey land;

An act to revive and amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Savannah and Joseph Railroad Company;

An act amendatory of an act to authorize the formation of associations to construct Plank and McAdamized roads, approved February 27, 1851;

An act granting certain powers to the county court of Callaway county;

An act for the relief of Stephen F. Nuckolls, of Atchison county;

An act to incorporate Bloomfield Academy;

An act to incorporate Friendship Lodge, No. 89, of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons;

An act concerning elections;

An act to change the name of Mrs. Emma Route;

An act to incorporate the city of De Soto;

An act to incorporate the Clay County Agricultural and Mechanical Association;

An act to organize the county of Maries;

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed:

An act to permit Charles Bobb to sue for a divorce;

An act to pay road overseers in the county of DeKalb;

An act to authorize William W. Moseley to dispose of certain lands for the benefit of John W. Hendley and others, minors;

An act concerning the Penitentiary;

An act authorizing the erection of a bridge across the Meramec river;

House bills of the following titles have passed the Senate:

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Callaway Mining and Manufacturing Company, approved February 16, 1847;

An act for the benefit of Lewis M. Frazier, of Lincoln county;

A bill of the following title has been introduced into the Senate:

An act in relation to the writ of habeas corpus and change of venue in criminal cases.

A bill of the following title has also been introduced into the Senate and passed.

An act to provide for the public printing.

The Senate has passed a resolution requesting the House to return to the Senate an amended House bill entitled,

An act to change time of holding courts in the Second Judicial Circuit.

Mr. Kelly introduced a bill entitled,

An act supplementary to an act to change a State road in Atchison county;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Sitton called up House bill entitled,

An act regulating the election of county court justices in Gasconade county;

The Senate amendments of the Senate thereto, were read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and agreed to.

Mr. McColloch called up Senate bill entitled,

An act to extend an act authorizing the erection of a toll bridge across the Meramec river;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. McColloch called up House bill entitled,

An act to prohibit the sale of spiritous liquors in Central township, Jefferson county;

The Senate amendment thereto, was then read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and agreed to.

Mr. Sitton called up House bill entitled,

An act to increase the pay of county court justices;

The Senate amendment thereto were then read first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and agreed to.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to provide for printing the report of the State Geologist;

Was taken up, read a third time and passed by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Frost:

AYES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Barrett, Blair, Bogy Bohannon, Brady, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of St. L., Buford, Burnes, Chilton, Clark, Cravens, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Dorriss, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Garth, Goode, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harrison, Harding, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Kelly, King, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McAfee, McCary, McCarty, McFall, McMahan, Medley, Monro, Morrow, Moseley, Mott, Neill, Patrick, Phillips, Pratt, Reid, Ritchey, Sitton, Smith, of St. L., Smith, of S., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—76.

NOES—Messrs. Bean, Botts, Boyd, Clippard, Drake, Frost, Holmes, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFarland, Minor, Murray, Parcells, Powers, Wall, Webb and Whitaker—17.

Absent—Messrs. Acock, Blakey, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Bullock, Darby, Donelan, Dyer, Hill, Howell, Jackson, Jones, Layton, Lewis, of St. L., McSpadden, Mothersead, Nevill, Roberts, Rollins, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of P., Standiford, and White.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

On motion of Mr. Britton, the vote on postponing Senate bill entitled, an act to organize Webster county, until November next, was reconsidered.

Mr. Britton, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, a bill entitled,

An act for the benefit of Lewis M. Frazier, of Lincoln county.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Rogers, a Senator:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that a bill of the following title has passed the Senate:

An act to extend the limits of the city of St. Louis, and for other purposes.

Mr. Hardeman called up House bill entitled,

An act amendatory of an act to incorporate the Missouri State Agricultural Society, approved February 24th, 1853;

Which was read a third time.

The question then being on the passage of the bill, it was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Dorriss:

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Blakey, Blair, Bradford, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of St. Louis, Clark, Cunningham, Davis, Dodson, Ewing, Fagg, Fant, Farrar, Garth, Goode, Graves, Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hughes, Kelly, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McAfee, McMahan, Medley, Patrick, Pratt, Smith, of St. Louis, Todd, Williams, of Henry, and Mr. Speaker—38.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Bean, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Brown, of J., Buford, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Darnes, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Dorris, Dyer, Everett, Field, Frost, Green, of Franklin, Green, of L., Harding, Hill, Holmes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jones, King, McCary, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, Minor, Mouro, Morrow, Moseley, Murray, Neill, Phillips, Powers, Reid, Ritchey, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of S., Standiford, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, and Yeats—59.

Absent—Messrs. Brown, of N., Bullock, Cravens, Darby, Feagan, Howell, Jackson, Jennings, Layton, McFarland, McSpadden, Mott, Mothersead, Nevill, Parcells, Roberts, Rollins, Shambaugh, Smith, of P., Williams, of D., and Wyatt.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to organize Webster county ;

Was taken up, read a third time and passed.

Mr. Darnes called up Senate bill entitled,

A bill to establish the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, and for other purposes;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when

Mr. King offered the following amendment :

Strike out the fifth section ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Chilton offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Accounts be required to audit and allow to the Chief Clerk, First Assistant Clerk, Enrolling Clerk and Engrossing Clerk, each two dollars per day additional compensation for their services during the Eighteenth General Assembly, and to the Assistant Clerks, appointed by the Speaker, two dollars additional pay each, from the day of their appointment.

Mr. Britton offered the following amendment :

Add the following : That the Second and Third Assistant Clerks shall be paid from the commencement of the session ;

Which was, on motion, rejected.

Mr. Minor offered the following amendment :

Provided, the term of office of the Clerks appointed by the Speaker, shall expire on the fifth day of March, 1855 ;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Blair offered the following amendment:

That Richard B. Jackson, Door-keeper of the House of Representatives, be allowed at the rate of four dollars a day, during the present session of the General Assembly, and the Sergeant-at-arms four dollars per day.

Mr. McAfee offered the following amendment to the amendment:

That the Speaker be allowed one dollar and a half additional pay.

Mr. Reid offered the following amendment to the amendment:

That the Door-keeper and Sergeant-at-arms be also paid three dollars, and the Pages of this House be allowed two dollars per day each.

Mr. Frost offered the following amendment:

Strike out "two dollars" and insert "one dollar," to all the Clerks, and one dollar and fifty cents to each of the Pages.

On motion of Mr. Britton,

The resolution, together with the amendments, were referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. King, Jeffress, Morrow, Britton and Smith, of S.

Mr. Newland called up Senate resolution entitled,

Joint resolution for the benefit of Warwick Hough;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when

Mr. Britton moved to amend the resolution by increasing the pay of the Librarian one dollar, which was,

On motion of Mr. Botts, laid on the table.

The resolution was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Doniphan, of C., called up Senate bill entitled,

An act to incorporate Liberty Female College;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

Mr. Moseley called up Senate bill entitled,

An act to aid the construction of the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad:

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Frost,

It was postponed until the first Monday in November next.

Mr. McCarty moved a suspension of the rules to take up Senate bill entitled,

An act to provide for the Public Printing;

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Brown, of St. L.:

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Bohannon, Botts, Brady, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Buford, Burnes, Clippard, Cravens, Cunningham, Darnes, Dodson, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorriess, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Goode, Graves, Green, of L., Hardin, Heryford, Hill, Holmes, Lewis, of St. L., McAfee, McCarty, McFarland, Medley, Minor, Monroe, Moseley, Murray, Parcells, Reid, Ritchey, Smith, of S., Todd, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, White, Wyatt and Yeats—51.

NOES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Bean, Blair, Brown, of St. L., Clark, Davis, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Feagen, Green, of F., Harrison, Hardeman,

Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, King, Lewis, of C., Lightner, McCary, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFall, Morrow, Neill, Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Rollins, Sitton, Smith, of St., L., Tucker and Williams, of H.—37.

Absent—Messrs. Blakey, Boyd, Bradford, Brown, of N., Bullock, Chilton, Darby, Donelan, Fant, Field, Harding, Harris, Hickox, Jackson, Kelly, Layton, McMahan, McSpadden, Mott, Motherhead, Nevill, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Smith, of P., Standiford, Turner, Williams, of D., and Mr. Speaker.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

On motion of Mr. Minor,
The House adjourned.

SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 3d, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.
Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that the President of the Senate has signed the enrolled House bills of the following titles:

- An act to change the name of Francis Marion Wells;
- An act for the relief of James C. Waugh, of St. Louis county;
- An act to incorporate Jackson Lodge No. 82, of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons;
- An act to provide for the payment of Petit Jurors in the county of Pettis;
- An act amendatory of an act respecting executors and administrators, approved March 26th, 1845;
- An act concerning the swamp lands in the counties of Scott, Cape Girardeau, Mississippi, New Madrid, Pemiscot, Dunklin, Ripley, Wayne and Butler;
- An act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of Ancient Order of Good Fellows, of the State of Missouri;
- An act to incorporate the Mound City Land and Building Association;
- An act to regulate and pay grand and petit jurors in the counties of Cape Girardeau, Gasconade and Osage;
- An act for the relief of Thomas Hambrick;
- An act amending the charter of the city of Lagrange;

An act to change a State road in Ralls county ;

An act to prevent trespass in the county of Atchison ;

An act to quiet titles in the city of Weston ;

An act to authorize the County Court of Adair county to borrow money ;

An act to authorize Isaac Gray to keep a ferry across the Des Moines river ;

An act to change the name of John T. Greenwood, Henry Greenwood, Ruth E. Greenwood, David L. Greenwood and George Greenwood, of Butler county ;

An act for the benefit of the heirs of Irvin Billingsly, of Cooper county ;

An act for the relief of Eliza McMurtry ;

An act to amend an act concerning ferries ;

An act concerning the duties of Sheriff and Marshal in the county of St. Louis, in relation to the levy and sale of such property, under sale or attachment, as may be claimed by third persons ;

An act to make the offices of Public Administrator and County Treasurer in Henry county, elective ;

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to establish a Court of Common Pleas in the city of Hannibal, approved March 27, 1845 ;

An act to incorporate the St. Joseph Hotel Company ;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad Company ;

An act to vacate certain streets in the town of Athens ;

An act to authorize Reuben Carter to sell certain real estate ;

An act incorporating the town of Augusta, in St. Charles county ;

An act to incorporate the Mechanics' and Orphans' Saving's Institution, of Louisiana ;

An act to relinquish escheated property ;

An act to amend an act concerning the Collector of the Revenue of Platte county ;

An act to change the name of Alvira Boby, of Warren county ;

An act to regulate the fees of the Judge of the Probate Court of the county of Andrew ;

An act respecting the Independence and Missouri River Railroad Company ;

An act for the relief of certain school districts in Lafayette county ;

An act to aid the construction of the Pacific Railroad Company ;

Memorial relating to the Mississippi Valley Railroad North.

The President of the Senate has signed enrolled Senate bill entitled :

An act to incorporate the Grand River Railroad Company.

The Senate has laid over until the first day of November next, House bill entitled,

An act to repeal an act entitled, an act to establish a State road in the counties of Marion and Shelby.

The Senate has agreed to House amendment to Senate bill entitled,

A bill to establish the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, and for other purposes,

A bill of the following title has been introduced into the Senate and passed :

An act for the relief of the heirs of Hampton L. Boon, deceased.

A bill of the following title has been introduced into the Senate :

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to incorporate the city of Carondelet.

Bills of the following titles have passed the Senate :

A bill to authorize Martha A. Liggon and Maria Liggon, by their Trustee, Jabez Shotwell, to sell certain real estate ;

An act granting the right of way through State lands to certain railroads, and for other purposes.

The Senate has amended and passed, as amended, House bills entitled:

An act for the regulation and management of the State Library ;

An act to change the time of holding Circuit Courts in the Second Judicial Circuit ;

An act for the support of Government for the years 1855 and 1856.

House bills of the following titles have passed the Senate :

An act to establish a Court of Common Pleas in Ray county ;

An act creating the office of Assistant Circuit Attorney in St. Louis county ;

An act to authorize the sale of certain lands in the county of Callaway ;

An act to incorporate the Young Men's Saving Institution in Boonville ;

An act incorporating the Warrenton Female Academy ;

An act for the benefit of the Hannibal, Ralls County and Paris Plank road Company ;

An act to legalize the sale of certain town lots in the town of Ozark ;

An act to incorporate the Weston and Randolph County Railroad ;

An act to provide for additional places of voting in Pike county ;

An act for the government of the State Lunatic Asylum, and the care of the Insane ;

An act to incorporate Pleasant Ridge Male and Female College ;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Mississippi Valley Railroad North, approved February 23d, 1853

An act to change the name of Betty P. Thompson ;

An act to incorporate the Canton Seminary ;

An act relating to the Collector of dramshop licenses in the county of St. Louis ;

An act supplemental to an act entitled, an act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Mammoth Mining Company, approved January 28th, 1855.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Governor :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
City of Jefferson, Mo., March 3, 1855. }

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives :

GENTLEMEN : I have this day approved and signed bills of the following titles :

An act to organize the county of Maries ;

An act to exempt the counties of Mercer and Daviess from the operation of an act approved March 3d, 1851, entitled, an act to provide for and laying out roads and highways in the several counties of this State ;

An act to incorporate the Brazeau High School ;

An act to declare certain parts of the public square in the town of Bloomington, Macon county, Missouri, added to the alleys as a public highway ;

An act to incorporate the St. Joseph Ice Company ;

An act for the relief of Peter Jones ;

An act to establish Georgetown Female Institute ;

An act to change the name of John E. Baker and Polly Ann Robeson, of Oregon county ;

An act to authorize the erection of a toll bridge across the Chariton river, at Ninevah, in Adair county ;

An act to legalize the sale of lots in the town of Bloomington, in Stoddard county ;

An act to authorize Bela M. Hughes, curator of the estate of Paul Coburn and William B. Richardson, to sell certain lands in Illinois ;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to change a State road in Boone county, approved February 28, 1851 ;

An act to annex fractional townships number fifty-eight, and range thirty-five, in Andrew county ;

An act to legalize the sales of certain sixteenth section lands, in Cedar county ;

An act for the relief of Mary Paine, executrix of Ballinger Paine, deceased, late of Holt county ;

An act for the relief of Gabriel Helms, a free man of color ;

An act to establish a State road from the mouth of Linn to Houston ;

An act to change the time of holding courts in Dent county, in the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit, of Missouri ;

A memorial to Congress for a grant of land to aid in completing the Geological Survey of Missouri ;

A memorial to the Congress of the United States.

Very respectfully,

STERLING PRICE.

Mr. Lightner, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles :

The Committee on Enrolled Bills have examined the following bills ; and herewith report the same duly enrolled :

An act to incorporate the city of Parkville ;

An act to incorporate the Mississippi Valley Joint Stock Insurance Company, of St. Louis, Missouri ;

An act to incorporate a Farmers' and Mechanics' Savings' Institution, in the county of Buchanan ;

A act to establish Eldon College ;

An act to increase the pay of county court justices.

Mr. Bohannon moved a reconsideration of the vote rejecting House bill entitled,

An act amendatory of an act to incorporate the Missouri State Agricultural Society, approved February 24th, 1853 ;

Which was decided in the affirmative, when,

Mr. Hardeman offered the following amendment :

Strike out so much of the bill as relates to the additional one thousand dollars ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and agreed to.

The bill was then passed.

Mr. King, from the select committee to whom was referred several resolutions relating to the pay of the officers of this House;

Reported the following resolution and recommended its passage:

Resolved, That the Speaker of the House be allowed the sum of one dollar and fifty cents per day, additional; the chief clerk, the three assistant clerks, the enrolling and engrossing clerks, each, two dollars per day, additional; the door-keeper, one dollar per day, additional, and sergeant-at-arms, three dollars per day, additional, and all the other clerks appointed by the Speaker, two dollars per day, each, additional, from the date of their appointment, the messengers each, one dollar and fifty cents per day from the day of their appointment; all to be computed up to the fifth day of March, 1855, and all appointments made by the Speaker shall expire on that day.

Mr. Green, of L., offered the following amendment:

Strike out two dollars extra pay per day, for clerks, and insert one dollar.

Mr. Britton moved to lay the amendment on the table;

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Dorriess:

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Blakey, Bogy, Bohannon, Breckinridge, Britton, Buford, Burnes, Chilton, Clark, Darnes, Davis, Donelan, Dodson, Doniphan, of P., Ewing, Fagg, Field, Goode, Green, of F., Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Kelly, King, Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, McCarty, McFall, Minor, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Patrick, Phillips, Pratt, Reid, Roberts, Shelton, Sitton, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Todd, White, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt and Yeats—52.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Boyd, Brady, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Clippard, Cravens, Drake, Dorriess, Dyer, Everett, Frost, Garth, Graves, Green, of L., Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Hughes, Lewis, of C., McLane, of Cape G., McCulloch, Moseley, Powers, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Turner, Webb and Whitaker—32.

Absent—Messrs. Blair, Botts, Bradford, Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Crosswhite, Cunningham, Darby, Doniphan, of C., Fant, Farrar, Feagan, Harding, Jackson, Jones, Layton, McAfee, McCary, McFarland, McMahan, McSpadden, Medley, Monroe, Mothersead, Murray, Nevill, Parcells, Rollins, Smith, of B., Smith, of S., Standiford, Tucker, Wall and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Burnet, Gilstrap, Guitar, Howell, McClain, of St. C., and Morgan.

Sick—Messrs. Gentry, Houghton and Moore.

Excused from voting—Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Doniphan, of P., offered the following amendment:

The messengers shall have two dollars per day.

Mr. McCarty moved to lay the amendment on the table;

Which was decided in the negative.

The amendment was then agreed to.

Mr. Acock moved that the sum of fifty cents for each day be allowed to each servant employed to attend the House, to be paid to the door-keeper, for the use of said servants for extra services rendered by them;

Which was agreed to.

The resolution was then passed by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Acock:

AYES—Messrs. Barrett, Blakey, Bogy, Bohannon, Breckinridge, Britton, Buford, Burnes, Chilton, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Doniphan, of Platte, Dorris, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Kelly, King, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, McAfee, McCarty, Minor, Moseley, Mott, Murray, Neill, Parcels, Patrick, Phillips, Pratt, Reid, Roberts, Rollins, Sitton, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Turner, White, Williams, of H., Wyatt, and Yeats—56.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bean, Boyd, Brady, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Clippard, Cravens, Donelan, Drake, Dyer, Garth, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harrison, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFarland, McMahan, Morrow, Powers, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Webb and Whitaker—31.

Absent—Messrs. Baker, Blair, Botts, Bradford, Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Crosswhite, Darby, Dodson, Doniphan, of Clay, Fant, Goode, Harding, Howell, Jackson, Jones, Layton, McCary, McFall, McSpadden, Medley, Mothersead, Nevill, Shelton, Smith, of S., Standiford, Todd, Tucker, Wall and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Excused from voting—Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Graves asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Menra.

Mr. Phillips asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. McFall.

On motion of Mr. Mott,

Resolved, That the Committee on Accounts is authorized to audit and allow W. H. Frazier seventy-seven dollars, (the amount remaining unpaid,) for services rendered the last session of the General Assembly, as Messenger for the House of Representatives.

Mr. Hughes moved to suspend the rules to permit him to introduce a resolution;

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Minor:

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Blakey, Bohannon, Breckinridge, Brown, of

St. L., Clark, Cravens, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Fagg, Farrar, Green, of F., Harrison, Harris, Hardin, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape Girardeau, McColloch, McFall, McMahan, Medley, Morrow, Mott, Neill, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Rollins, Sitton, Smith, of Pettis, Smith, of St. L., Tucker, Williams, of H., and Yeats—44.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Barrett, Brady, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of N., Buford, Burnes, Chilton, Clippard, Darnes, Dodson, Drake, Dorris, Everett, Feagan, Frost, Garth, Goode, Graves, Green, of Lewis, Hardeman, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Lewis, of St. Louis, McAfee, McFarland, Minor, Parcells, Patrick, Reid, Ritchey, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Turner, Wall, Webb, Whitaker, Wyatt and Mr. Speaker—45.

Absent—Messrs. Bean, Blair, Bogy, Botts, Boyd, Bradford, Bullock, Crosswhite, Cunningham, Darby, Doniphan, of C., Dyer, Ewing, Fant, Field, Harding, Howell, Jackson, Layton, McSpadden, Moseley, Mothersead, Murray, Nevill, Smith, of S., Standiford, Todd and White.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Burnet, Gilstrap, Guitar, McClain, of St. C., Monro, Morgan and Williams, of D.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Pratt, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

A bill to authorize the county court of St. Charles county to increase the width of County roads ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Senate Constitutional amendment entitled,

Amendment to the Constitution in relation to the per diem of members of the General Assembly ;

Was taken up, read a third time and adopted by the following vote:

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Blakey, Bogy, Bohannon, Breckinridge, Britton, Burnes, Clippard, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Donelan, Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Dorris, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Goode, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Kelly, King, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McAfee, McCarty, Medley, McFarland, Moseley, Mott, Minor, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Phillips, Reid, Roberts, Rollins, Shambaugh, Sitton, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Todd, Tucker, Turner, Wall, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—70.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Brady, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. Louis, Buford, Chilton, Dodson, Farrar, Graves, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McMahan, Powers, Pratt, Shelton, Webb and Whitaker—20.

Absent—Messrs. Bean, Blair, Betts, Boyd, Bradford, Bullock, Cross-

white, Cravens, Darby, Doniphan, of C., Dyer, Fant, Howell, Jackson, Jones, Layton, McSpadden, Morrow, Mothersead, Nevill, Parcels, Ritchey, Smith, of Sullivan, Standiford, White and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. McFarland moved a reconsideration of the vote postponing until the first Monday in November next, Senate bill entitled,

An act to aid the construction of the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad ;

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. McAfee :

AYES—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Bohannon, Brady, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Buford, Burnes, Clippard, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Dorris, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Field, Frost, Goode, Graves, Harris, Hardin, Hickox, Holmes, Hughes, Jennings, Kelly, King, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFarland, Medley, Moseley, Mott, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Reid, Rollins, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Todd, Wall, Williams, of Henry, and Yates—52.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Brown, of N., Chilton, Cravens, Drake, Everett, Feagan, Garth, Green, of F., Green, of Lewis, Harrison, Hardeman, Heryford, Isbell, Jeffress, McAfee, McCary, McMahan, Minor, Roberts, Shambaugh, Shelton, Sitton, Tucker, Whitaker, Wyatt and Mr. Speaker—28.

Absent—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Bogy, Botts, Boyd, Brady, Britton, Bullock, Darby, Donelan, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of Platte, Dyer, Fant, Hill, Jackson, Jones, Layton, McFall, McSpadden, Moore, Mothersead, Nevill, Parcels, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Ritchey, Smith, of Sullivan, Standiford, Turner, Webb, White and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Doniphan, of P., asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Shambaugh.

Mr. Roberts asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Harding.

Mr. Medley asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. McCary.

Mr. Hickox asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Boyd.

Mr. McAfee moved to lay the bill on the table ;

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. McAfee :

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Brown, of N., Chilton, Cravens, Drake, Everett, Feagan, Garth, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Heryford, Jones, McAfee, Minor, Sitton, Whitaker and Wyatt—19.

NOES—Messrs. Barrett, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Brady, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Buford, Burnes, Clippard, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of P., Ewing, Fagg, Frost, Goode, Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Holmes, Hughes, Jeffress, Jennings, King, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFarland, Medley, Moreley, Mott, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Rollins, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Todd, Tucker, Wall, Williams, of Heary, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—54.

Absent—Messrs. Baker, Bean, Blakey, Botts, Bradford, Brown, of St. L., Bullock, Darby, Donelan, Dorris, Dyer, Fant, Farrar, Field, Hill, Isbell, Jackson, Kelly, Layton, Lightner, McFall, McMahan, McSpadden, Monro, Morrow, Mothersead, Nevill, Parcels, Phillips, Powers, Ritchey, Roberts, Shelton, Smith, of S., Standiford, Turner, Webb, White and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Boyd, Burnet, Gilstrap, Guitar, Harding, McClain, of St. C., McCary, Morgan and Shambaugh.

Sick—Messrs. Crosswhite, Doniphan, of C., Gentry, Houghton, Howell, Moore and Smith, of B.

Mr. Hardin offered the following amendment as additional sections :

§ —. There is hereby constituted a Board of Public Works, to consist of three members, who shall be appointed by the Governor, by and with the consent of the Senate, and who shall hold office for the term of four years, commencing March 20th, 1855 ; and it shall be their duty to examine from time to time, as may seem to them necessary, or as they shall be required so to do by the Governor, not less than once in each year, into the construction of said road and the management of said company, and for that purpose shall have access to the books and papers of said company ; and said board shall, at least once in each year, report to the Governor all material particulars, as to the construction of the said road and management of the company, and in case said board, or any two of them, shall have reason to believe that said company have not made its expenditures and conducted its affairs in good faith, it shall be their duty to report the same to the Governor, who may, if deemed necessary by him, cause further examination into the construction of the road, and management of such company to be made, to enable him to judge fully of the matter, and in case the Governor and a majority of said board are of opinion that the expenditures of such company have not been made in good faith, in the spirit of this act, the Governor shall withhold the further issue of any State bonds, authorized by this or former acts of the General Assembly, from such company, until such company shall have rectified and remedied such misapplied expenditures, in a manner satisfactory to the Governor and a majority of said board. The members of said board shall be paid by the State, at the rate of five dollars for each member, for each day when on duty, and traveling expenses.

§ —. This act shall not take effect as to said company, unless said company shall, within six months after the passage of the same, accept it, as applicable to such company, such acceptance to be executed by the President of the company under the corporate seal of such company,

and to be filed in the office of the Secretary of State ; and the provisions of this act shall become a law, from and after the date of the filing such acceptance as above specified, and unless such acceptance be filed as aforesaid, within six months, and until the filing the same, this act is inoperative.

§ —. Any person holding or owning any stock, or other interest whatever, in said company or any property thereof, shall not be qualified to be one of the Board of Public Works, and before entering upon the duties of his office, each member of the board shall take an affidavit, that he will honestly and impartially discharge all the duties imposed upon him by law, and that he will not, whilst such officer, acquire either directly or indirectly whatever, in said railroad company or any property thereof.

§ —. Any vacancy in the Board of Public Works shall be filled by appointment of the Governor.

Which was read a first time, when,

Mr. Blair moved the previous question.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Hollday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that House bills of the following titles have passed the Senate :

An act to exempt from taxation certain lands sold by the State of Missouri ;

An act relating to the town of Middle Grove, in Monroe county ;

An act conferring certain powers on the St. Louis circuit court ;

An act supplementary to an act to change a State road in Atchison county ;

An act supplementary to an act entitled, an act to incorporate the city of Savannah, approved February 24th, 1853 ;

An act to build a road from the town of Bloomfield, to the town of Commerce ;

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to incorporate the town of Roanoke ;

An act to vacate a part of First Main street, in Fayette ;

An act to establish a State road in Buchanan county ;

An act providing for a division of township school funds belonging to township 86, N., range 6, East ;

An act enabling the United States Express Company to sue in the name of its directors ;

An act to incorporate the Laclede Hotel Company of the city of St. Louis ;

An act to incorporate the Fillmore Mutual Fire and Marine Insurance Company ;

A bill to incorporate the Minerva Female Academy of Hannibal, Mo. ;

An act incorporating the Weston and Clinton County Railroad Company ;

An act to incorporate the Parkville and Ridgeley Railroad Company ;

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act regulating clerks, approved March 27th, 1845 ;

Concurrent resolution in relation to printing the Journals ;

An act providing for the sale of real estate of John Davis, dec'd, late late of Osage county ;

An act authorizing Lucinda Seals, Executrix of Coleman Seals, late of Osage county, to sell certain real estate ;

An act to provide for the reduction of the city tax of the city of St. Louis ;

An act establishing limited partnerships.

On motion of Mr. Doniphan, of P.,

The House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER : I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that House bills of the following titles have passed the Senate :

An act for the dedication of land ;

An act to authorize the county court of Dallas county, to sell the swamp and overflowed land in said county ;

An act to change a State road in the county of Miller ;

An act concerning clerks' and sheriffs' fees ;

An act to amend an act to provide for the management of the Penitentiary, approved February 16th, 1853 ;

A bill to authorize the county court of St. Charles county, to increase the width of county roads ;

An act amendatory of an act to provide for the Weston Marine Insurance Company ;

An act to preserve town plats in Clark county ;

An act for changing a State road in Moniteau county ;

An act specifying the duties of County Surveyors ;

An act to legalize the sale of certain real estate in Stone county, made by John Cox, admr., of John Birchfield, dec'd ;

An act for the relief of Robert Greer and Jeremiah Tillery, late sheriffs, and John Steel, present sheriff, of Clinton county ;

An act to revive an act entitled, an act to authorize J. R. Campbell to keep a Ferry across the Des Moines river, at Lancaster, in Clark county ;

An act to vacate a portion of a State road in Ralls county ;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the President and Board of Visitors of the Female Collegiate Institute, approved February 17th, 1851 ;

An act creating the office of Assistant Circuit Attorney in St. Louis county ;

An act to amend the city charter of the city of St. Louis ;

An act in relation to Public Parks and Squares in St. Louis county ;

An act explanatory of an act approved February 8th, 1853, entitled,

an act to authorize the county court of Platte county, to appropriate money ;

An act for the relief of the Justices of the Peace, of Parkville ;

An act for the relief of Littleton H. Conklin, late Sheriff of Schuyler county ;

An act to establish a State road from the town of Linn Creek, to the county seat of Vernon county.

The Senate has laid on the table until the second Monday in November next, House bill entitled,

An act to amend an act entitled, "an act to provide for the organization, support and government of Common Schools in the State of Missouri.

The Senate has laid on the table House bill entitled,

An act to prevent riots and breaches of the peace.

The Senate has laid on the table until the first Monday in November next, House bill entitled,

An act for the relief of Aylett H. Buckner, of St. Louis county.

A bill of the following title has been introduced into the Senate :

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act regulating conveyances, approved March 25th, 1845.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed :

An act concerning Jurors in St. Louis county ;

An act supplemental to an act concerning the Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb ;

An act concerning the road and canal fund of Cole county.

The President of the Senate has signed enrolled House bills entitled,

An act for the benefit of Lewis M. Frazier, of Lincoln county ;

An act appropriating money for the support and enlargement of the State Lunatic Asylum ;

A bill for the relief of James Patton, and others ;

An act concerning fines and forfeitures in Dent county ;

An act for the relief of Stephen P. Nuckolls, of Atchison county ;

An act to change the name of Mrs. Emma Route ;

An act for the relief of John Chappell ;

An act to pay Jurors in Livingston county ;

An act concerning elections ;

A bill for the relief of David Mitchell ;

An act to authorize the erection of a toll bridge in Jefferson county, across Big River ;

An act in relation to the heirs of Robert Adkins, deceased ;

An act to authorize the sale of real estate ;

An act granting certain powers to the County Court of the county of Callaway ;

An act to incorporate the Clay County Agricultural and Mechanical Association ;

An act to authorize Helene Muller, of St. Charles county, to sell certain real estate ;

An act to authorize the Guardian of Mary Ann Seppy to convey land.

An act to incorporate the St. Joseph City Company ;

An act to revive and amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Savannah and St. Joseph Railroad Company ;

An act to incorporate Bloomfield Academy ;

An act to authorize the County Court of Taney county to borrow money ;

An act amendatory of an act to authorize the formation of associations to construct Plank Roads and McAdamized roads, approved March 27th, 1851 ;

An act to incorporate the city of De Soto ;

An act to incorporate Friendship Lodge No. 89, of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons ;

An act to incorporate the Mississippi Valley Joint stock Insurance Company, of St. Louis, Missouri ;

An act to incorporate a Farmers' and Mechanics' Saving's Institution ;

An act to establish Eldon College ;

An act to incorporate the city of Parkville ;

An act to increase the pay of County Court Justices.

The President of the Senate has signed enrolled Senate bills entitled :

An act to incorporate the Lagrange Saving's Institution ;

An act supplemental and explanatory of an act to aid the construction of the Pacific Railroad ;

Proposed amendment to the Constitution in relation to Banking ;

An act to change a State road in Andrew county ;

An act to incorporate the Lexington and Utica Railroad ;

A joint resolution for the benefit of Warwick Hough ;

An act to incorporate the Berlin Rope and Bagging Manufacturing Company ;

An act to establish a State road in Clay and Clinton counties ;

An act to incorporate the Dime Saving's Institution of St. Charles ;

An act to amend the charter of the city of St. Joseph ;

An act to organize Webster county ;

An act to establish the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, and other purposes.

Bills of the following titles have passed the Senate :

An act about the Jailor in St. Louis county ;

A bill to amend the school law.

A bill of the following title has been introduced into the Senate and passed :

An act regulating the liabilities of Inn-keepers.

Mr. Brady, on leave, from the select committee to whom was referred a bill entitled,

An act concerning the Treasurer and Public Administrator of Washington county,

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Garth, on leave, called up House bill entitled,

An act to change the times of holding Circuit Courts in the Second Judicial Circuit.

The Senate amendments thereto were then read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and agreed to.

Mr. Brown asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Roberts.

House bill entitled,

An act for the regulation and management of the State Library,

Was taken up, and the Senate amendments thereto were then read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and agreed to.

Senate bill entitled,
 An act to pay costs in Platte county,
 Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and,
 On motion of Mr. Jeffress, was indefinitely postponed.

Senate bill entitled,
 An act to authorize William W. Moseley to dispose of certain lots and
 lands for the benefit of John William Hendley and others, minors,
 Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and
 third time and passed.

Senate bill entitled,
 An act to pay road overseers in the county of De Kalb,
 Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and
 third time and passed.

Senate bill entitled,
 A bill to amend the school law,
 Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and
 third time and passed.

House bill entitled,
 An act for the support of Government for the years 1855 and 1856,
 Was taken up.

Senate amendment thereto as follows:
 Amend by adding, "that an addition of \$250 be added to salary of
 Auditor of Public Accounts;"

Was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when,
 Mr. Blair moved to disagree to the amendment;
 Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes
 and noes being demanded by Mr. Brown, of St. L.:

AYES—Messrs. Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Brady, Breck-
 inridge, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Clippard, Clark, Cunningham,
 Darnes, Donelan, Drake, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Garth,
 Green, of F., Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hickox, Holmes, Hughes,
 Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, Lewis, of St. L., McLane, of
 Cape G., McColloch, Neill, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Rollins, Sitton,
 Smith, of P., Smith, of St. Louis, Todd, Turner, Williams, of Henry,
 Wyatt and Mr. Speaker—49.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Britton, Brown, of N., Buford,
 Burnes, Davis, Dodson, Doniphan, of P., Dorris, Everett, Frost, Goode,
 Graves, Hardin, Heryford, Hill, Lewis, of C., McCarty, McAfee, Mc-
 Farland, McMahan, Medley, Minor, Moseley, Murray, Patrick, Reid,
 Webb and Whitaker—30.

Absent—Messrs. Bean, Betts, Bradford, Bullock, Burnet, Chilton,
 Cravens, Darby, Dyer, Fant, Green, of L., Howell, Jackson, Layton,
 McSpadden, Morrow, Mott, Motherhead, Nevill, Parcels, Shambaugh,
 Shelton, Smith, of B., Smith, of S., Standiford, Tucker, Wall, White,
 Williams, of D., and Yeats.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Excused from voting—Mr. Acock.

Senate amendment thereto, as follows :

Section 2. For pay of Committee on Revision, their clerks and contingent expenses of revision, four thousand dollars ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and agreed to.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to authorize county courts to alter or abolish State roads under certain circumstances ;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

House bill entitled,

An act amendatory to an act entitled, an act to provide for levying, assessing and collecting the revenue, approved March 27th, 1845 ;

Was taken up, and the Senate amendments thereto were read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and agreed to.

Senate joint resolutions entitled,

Joint resolutions for the appointment of Commissioners to examine certain railroads in this State ;

Were taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed :

An act supplementary to an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Wesleyan Cemetery Association, approved February 28th, 1851 ;

An act to grant the State's right to certain land ;

An act concerning titles to State lands.

The question being on agreeing to Mr. Hardin's amendment to Senate bill entitled,

An act to aid the construction of the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad.

Mr. Blair moved the previous question.

Mr. McAfee moved to lay the call for the previous question on the table ;

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. McAfee :

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Brown, of N., Everett, Feagan, Garth, Graves, Harrison, Heryford, McAfee, Shelton and Sitton—13.

NOES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Brady, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. Louis, Burnes, Clippard, Clark, Cravens, Darnes, Davis, Dorris, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Field, Frost, Goode, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McFarland, McMahan, Medley, Moseley, Neill, Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Reid, Rollins, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Todd, Turner, Wall, Whittaker, White, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yeats and Mr. Speaker—67.

Absent—Messrs. Bean, Botts, Bradford, Chilton, Cunningham, Darby, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of Platte, Dyer, Fant, Layton, McSpadden,

Minor, Mott, Mothershead, Murray, Nevill, Parcells, Pratt, Reid, Smith, of B., Smith, of S., Standiford, Tucker, Webb and Williams of D.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

The question then being, "Shall the main question be now put?"

It was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. McAfee:

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bohannon, Brady, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Buford, Burnes, Clippard, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Donelan, Dorris, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Field, Frost, Goode, Green, of F., Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Hickox, Holmes, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McCalloch, McFarland, McMahan, Medley, Moseley, Mott, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Reid, Rollins, Smith, of Pettis, Smith, of St. L., Todd, Wall, White, Williams, of Henry, Wyatt, and Mr. Speaker—65.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Brown, of N., Drake, Everett, Feagan, Garth, Graves, Green, of L., Harrison, Heryford, Hill, McAfee, Minor, Shelton, Sitton, Webb and Whitaker—18.

Absent—Messrs. Bean, Botts, Bradford, Bullock, Chilton, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Doniphan, of P., Dyer, Fant, Howell, Jackson, Layton, Lewis, of C., McCary, McSpadden, Morrow, Mothershead, Nevill, Parcells, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Standiford, Tucker, Turner and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

The amendment was then read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then passed by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. McAfee:

AYES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bohannon, Brady, Breckinridge, Britton, Brown, of J., Brown, of St. L., Buford, Clippard, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dorris, Fagg, Farrar, Field, Frost, Goode, Harris, Hardin, Hickox, Holmes, Hughes, Isbell, Kelly, King, Lewis, of O., Lewis, of St. L., Lightner, McCarty, McFarland, Medley, Minor, Moseley, Mott, Murray, Neill, Patrick, Pratt, Reid, Rollins, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. L., Todd, White, Williams, of Henry, and Yeats—51.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bogy, Brown, of N., Burnes, Donelan, Doniphan, of Platte, Drake, Everett, Feagan, Garth, Graves, Green, of F., Green, of L., Harrison, Hardeman, Heryford, Hill, Jeffress,

Jones, McAfee, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, McMahan, Powers, Shelton, Sitton, Webb, Whitaker, Wyatt and Mr. Speaker—81.

Absent—Messrs. Bean, Botts, Bradford, Bullock, Chilton, Cravens, Darby, Dodson, Dyer, Ewing, Fant, Howell, Jackson, Jennings, Layton, McSpadden, Morrow, Mothersead, Murray, Parcels, Phillips, Ritchey, Shambaugh, Smith, of S., Standiford, Turner, Wall and Williams, of D.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Mr. Britton, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills entitled,

An act to incorporate the Parkville and Ridgeley Railroad Company;

An act to incorporate the Weston and Clinton County Railroad Company;

An act authorizing Lucinda Seals, executrix of Coleman Seals, late of the county of Osage, to sell certain real estate;

An act act providing for the sale of real estate of John Davis, deceased;

An act for the relief of Lyttleton H. Conklin, late Sheriff of Schuyler county.

An act supplemental to act act entitled, an act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Mammoth Mining Company, approved January 29th, 1855;

An act to incorporate the Canton Seminary;

An act to change the time of holding circuit courts in the counties of Lewis and Clark;

An act relating to the collector of the dram-shop licenses in the county of St. Louis;

An act concerning clerks' and sheriffs' fees;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to provide for the management of the Penitentiary, approved February 16th, 1858;

An act giving certain powers to the circuit court of St. Louis county;

An act to amend the city charter of the city of St. Louis;

An act establishing limited partnerships;

An act enabling the United States Express Company to bring actions and suits at law, in this State, in name of the Directors of said Company;

An act to incorporate the Laelete Hotel Company of the city of St. Louis;

An act to provide for the reduction of the city debt of the city of St. Louis;

An act to authorize the sale of certain lands in the county of Callaway;

An act to amend an act to regulate elections, approved March 28, 1845;

An act to establish a State road from Fulton to Portland, in Callaway county;

An act to establish a State road in the county of Atchison;

An act to declare certain county roads a State road;

An act to authorize Margaret Scott to keep a ferry across the Missouri river, in Atchison county;

An act to declare a certain county road a State road;

An act to establish a State road from the Benton county line to Warrensburg, in Johnson county ;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act regulating clerks, approved March 27th, 1845 ;

Concurrent resolution in relation to printing the journals ;

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Callaway Mining and Manufacturing Company, approved February 16, 1847 ;

An act to prohibit the sale of spiritous liquor in the township of Central, in the county of Jefferson ;

An act to authorize the county court of St. Charles county to increase the width of county roads ;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Mississippi Valley Railroad North, approved February 23d, 1853 ;

An act providing for a division of township school funds, belonging to township 36, north, range 6, east ;

An act relating to the town of Middle Grove, in Monroe county.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary .

MR. SPEAKER : I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has amended and passed, as amended, House bill entitled :

An act amendatory to an act entitled, an act to provide for levying, assessing and collecting the revenue, approved March 27th, 1845 ;

The Senate has agreed to House amendments to Senate bill entitled,

An act to aid in the construction of the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad ;

The Senate has laid on the table until 3d Monday in November next, Senate bill entitled ;

An act to repeal the 1st and 3d articles of an act entitled, an act to provide for the support and government of Common Schools in the State of Missouri ;

The Senate has rejected Senate bill entitled :

A bill to provide for the election of Collector of the State and county revenue and other officers in the county of St. Louis ;

Bills of the following titles have passed the Senate :

A bill in relation to witnesses' fees in St. Louis county.

The Senate has postponed, till the first Monday in November next, Senate bill entitled ;

An act to authorize St. Louis county to issue tax certificate exchange bonds ;

Bills of the following titles have passed the Senate :

An act for the relief of the James Castello, of St. Louis county ;

An act for the benefit of William Vanover.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Governor :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
City of Jefferson, Mo., March 3d, 1855. }

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives :

GENTLEMEN : I have this day approved and signed bills of the following titles :

An act to make the offices of Public Administrator and County Treasurer, in Henry county, elective ;

An act to authorize the county court of Adair county to borrow money ;

An act to authorize Isaac Gray to keep a ferry across the Des Moines river, at the town of Athens, in the county of Clark, Missouri ;

An act for the relief of Eliza McMurtry ;

An act for the relief of Thomas Hambrick ;

An act to incorporate the Mechanics' and Orphans' Savings' Institution of Louisiana ;

An act to provide for printing the report of the State Geologist ;

An act respecting the Independence and Missouri river Railroad Company in Jackson county ;

An act to provide for the payment of Petit Jurors in the county of Pettis ;

An act amending the charter of the city of Lagrange ;

An act concerning the duties of Sheriff and Marshal in the county of St. Louis ;

An act to release escheated property ;

An act for the relief of a certain school district in Lafayette county ;

An act amendatory of an act respecting executors and administrators, approved March 26, 1845 ;

An act to change a State road in Ralls county ;

An act to incorporate the St. Joseph Hotel Company ;

An act to amend an act concerning the Collector of the revenue of Platte county ;

An act to incorporate Jackson Lodge No. 82, of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons ;

An act incorporating the town of Augusta, in St. Charles county ;

An act to regulate the fees of the Judge of the Probate Court in the county of Andrew ;

An act to change the name of John T. Greenwood, Henry Greenwood, Ruth E. Greenwood, David L. Greenwood and George Greenwood, of Butler county ;

An act to change the name of Alvira Roby, of Monroe county ;

An act concerning the swamp lands in the counties of Scott, Cape Girardeau, Mississippi, New Madrid, Pemiscot, Dunklin, Ripley, Wayne and Butler ;

An act to prevent trespasses in the county of Atchison ;

An act for the benefit of the heirs of Urban Billingsley, late of the county of Cooper ;

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to establish a Court of Common Pleas in the city of Hannibal, approved March 8, 1845, and to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the city of Hannibal, approved February 21, 1845 ;

An act to authorize Reuben Carter to sell certain real estate ;

An act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of Ancient Order of Good Fellows, of the State of Missouri ;

An act to incorporate the Mound City Land and Building Association ;

An act to regulate and pay Grand and Petit Jurors in the counties of Cape Girardeau, Gdsconade and Osage ;

An act to quiet titles in the city of Weston ;

An act to amend an act concerning ferries ;

An act to vacate certain streets in the town of Athens, in Gentry county;

An act for the relief of James C. Waugh and Robert F. Waugh, minor children and wards of James Waugh, of St. Louis, Missouri;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the St. Joseph Railroad Company;

An act to change the name of Francis Marion Wells, of Boone county;

An act to incorporate the National Insurance Company of St. Louis;

Memorial relating to the Mississippi Valley Railroad North.

Very respectfully,

STERLING PRICE.

On motion of Mr. Smith, of P.,

The House adjourned until 7 o'clock, this evening.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Britton, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles:

An act supplementary to an act entitled, "an act to incorporate the city of Savannah," approved February 24th, 1853;

An act to build a road from the town of Bloomfield to the town of Commerce;

An act amendatory of an act entitled, "an act to incorporate the town of Roanoke," approved February 24th, 1853;

An act to vacate a part of First Main street in Fayette, Mo.;

An act to incorporate the Young Men's Savings' Institution of Boonville;

An act in relation to Public Parks and Squares in St. Louis county;

An act creating the office of Assistant Circuit Attorney, in St. Louis county;

An act to incorporate the Minerva Female Academy in Hannibal, Missouri.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed:

An act to pay costs in Platte county;

A bill for the relief of L. Shepherd, of Platte county;

An act in relation to the Marshal of the Supreme Court;

An act concerning the Public Administrator of Saline county;

An act appointing trustees to receive and dispose of certain property belonging to the Ozark Presbytery;

An act to amend the School Law;

An act concerning the Penitentiary;

A bill to fix the time of holding circuit courts in the First Judicial Circuit;

A bill in relation to witness fees in St. Louis county;

An act for the benefit of the widow and children of Reuben Johnson, deceased;

An act for the benefit of the heirs of Thomas J. Walker, deceased;

An act to authorize the Register of Lands to issue certain patents ;
 An act to restrict dram-shops in the county of Madison ;
 An act to provide for the payment by the State of Judicial salaries in St. Louis county ;

A bill for the relief of Martha McDaniel, minor heir of J. B. McDaniel, deceased, late of Laclede county ;

An act to pay witnesses before grand juries in the counties of Harrison, DeKalb and Daviess.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed, the rule requiring the ayes and noes on all acts of incorporation being dispensed with.

An act to incorporate the Great Republic Insurance Company, of St. Louis ;

An act to incorporate Cooper Lodge, No. 36, of Free and Accepted Ancient Masons, at Boonville, in Cooper county, Missouri ;

An act to incorporate the Mound City Insurance Company, of Saint Louis ;

An act to incorporate the Allen Iron Company ;

An act to incorporate the Great Western Fire and Marine Mutual Insurance Company, of St. Louis.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to amend an act in relation to groceries and dram-shops, approved March 25th, 1845 ;

Was taken up, and,

On motion of Mr. Kelly, it was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the Quincy Bridge Company ;

Was taken up, and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Senate bill entitled,

A bill to incorporate the Laclede Railroad Company ;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, when

Mr. Blair offered the following amendment :

Strike out the names of F. P. Blair, J. R. Barrett and George W. Goode, from the list of corporators ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then postponed until November next.

Senate bill entitled,

An act to amend an act to restrain intercourse with Indians ;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Kelly, it was laid on the table.

Senate bill entitled,

An act concerning the Road and Canal Fund of Cole county ,

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Clark, it was laid on the table.

Mr. Burnes, on leave, introduced a bill entitled,

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Platte Country Railroad Company, and to expedite the construction of said railroad ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time, and made the special order of the first Monday in November next.

House bill entitled,
 An act to prevent riots and breaches of the peace;
 Was taken up, and Senate amendments thereto, read a first time, rule
 suspended, read a second and third time and agreed to.

House bill entitled,
 An act supplementary to the several acts to incorporate the city of St.
 Louis;

Was taken up, and the Senate amendments thereto, read a first time,
 rule suspended, read a second and third time and agreed to.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Zeigler, a Senator:

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of
 Representatives, that the Senate insists upon the Senate amendment to
 the House bill entitled,

An act for the support of government for the years 1855 and 1856.

House bill entitled,
 An act for the support of government for the years 1855 and 1856;
 Was taken up, and the first Senate amendment thereto was then read
 a third time and agreed to.

House bill entitled,
 An act to suppress trade and barter with slaves;
 Was taken up, when,
 Mr. Harrison moved to refer the bill to the Committee on the
 Judiciary;

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, the ayes
 and noes being demanded by Mr. Darnes:

AYES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogy, Bo-
 hammon, Brady, Brown, of St. L., Burnes, Chilton, Clark, Cunningham,
 Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorris, Ewing, Fagg, Frost,
 Garth, Goode, Green, of F., Harrison, Hickox, Hill, Holmes, Hughes,
 Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G.,
 McColloch, Medley, Murray, Pratt, Reid, Shelton, Smith, of St. Louis,
 Wall, Webb, Whitaker, Williams, of Henry, and Yeats—48.

NOES—Messrs. Breckinridge, Britton, Darnes, Davis, Feagan, Graves,
 Green, of L., Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Lewis, of C., Lewis, of St.
 L., McAfee, McFarland, Minor, Neill, Patrick, Smith, of P., and Mr.
 Speaker—19.

Absent—Messrs. Acock, Bean, Botts, Bradford, Brown, of J., Brown,
 of N., Buford, Bullock, Olipard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dyer,
 Everett, Fant, Farrar, Field, Guitar, Harris, Howell, Jackson, King,
 Layton, Lightner, McCary, McFall, McMahan, McSpadden, Morrow,
 Moseley, Mott, Mothersead, Nevill, Parcels, Phillips, Powers, Ritchey,
 Roberts, Rollins, Shambaugh, Sitton, Smith, of B., Smith, of S., Standi-
 ford, Todd, Tucker, Turner, White, Williams, of D., and Wyatt.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Senate bill entitled,
An act regulating the time of payment of money falling due upon
holydays ;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time,
when,

Mr. Hughes offered the following amendment :

This act shall not apply to Clinton county ;

Which was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and
agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Senate concurrent resolution entitled,

Concurrent resolution instructing revisors ;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time
and adopted.

Senate joint resolutions entitled,

Joint resolutions requiring certain duties of committee appointed by the
Governor to examine into the condition of the Register's Office ;

Were taken up, read a first time, when,

Mr. Murray moved their reference to the Committee on Claims ;

Which was decided in the negative.

The question then being on the suspension of the rules, to permit the
resolutions to be read a second time, it was decided in the affirmative
by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr.
McAfee :

AYES—Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Barrett, Blakey, Blair, Bogg, Boshannon, Breckinridge, Brown, of St. L., Burnes, Clark, Cunningham, Darnes, Davis, Dodson, Donelan, Doniphan, of P., Drake, Dorris, Everett, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Frost, Garth, Goode, Graves, Green, of Franklin, Green, of L., Guitar, Harrison, Harris, Hardeman, Hardin, Heryford, Hickox, Hughes, Isbell, Jeffress, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, King, Lewis, of St. Louis, Lightner, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., McColloch, Medley, Mott, Neill, Patrick, Phillips, Pratt, Reid, Sitton, Smith, of P., Smith, of St. Louis, Todd, Wall, White, Williams, of H., Wyatt, Yates and Mr. Speaker—67.

NOES—Messrs. Acock, Brady, Britton, Brown, of J., Buford, Holmes, Lewis, of C., McAfee, McFarland, McMahan, Minor, Murray, Shelton, Webb and Whitaker—15.

Absent—Messrs. Bean, Botts, Bradford, Chilton, Clippard, Crosswhite, Cravens, Darby, Dyer, Fant, Harding, Hill, Howell, Jackson, Layton, McCary, McFall, McSpadden, Moore, Mothershead, Nevill, Parcells, Powers, Ritchey, Roberts, Rollins, Shambaugh, Smith, of B., Smith, of S., Standiford, Tucker, Turner and Williams, of Davis.

Absent on leave—Same as before.

Sick—Same as before.

Excused from voting—Mr. Moseley.

On motion of Mr. Guitar,

Resolved, That a committee of seven be appointed from the House of Representatives, to join such committee as may be appointed by the Senate, to visit the State University, and make report to the adjourned session of the General Assembly.

Whereupon the Speaker appointed Messrs. Brown, of St. L., Barnes, McCarty, Blakey, Jeffress, Lewis, of C., and Fagg.

On motion, Messrs. Rollins, Guitar, Blair, Murray, Hill, Hardeman, Donelan and Doniphan, of P.,

Were added to said committee.

On motion of Mr. Webb,

Resolved, That the Secretary of State, immediately after the fifth day of March, furnish the Public Printer with a list of acts passed, that he superintend the printing of the same, and furnish each member of this House with five copies, and transmit the same by mail to the county seats of the several counties in this State, as soon thereafter as practicable.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER : I am instructed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that a bill of the following title has been introduced into the Senate and passed :

An act to authorize the erection of a Lunatic Asylum in the county of St. Louis.

The President of the Senate has signed Enrolled House bill entitled :

An act supplemental to an act entitled, "an act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Mammoth Mining Company," approved January 29th, 1855.

The President of the Senate has signed enrolled Senate bills of the following titles :

An act to incorporate the Beonslick Hotel Company, in the town of Columbia ;

An act to establish a State road from Smithville, in Olay county, to Jeal Burnam's, in Clinton county ;

An act to incorporate Liberty Female College ;

An act to establish a ferry across the Mississippi river, at a point in Marion county, opposite the city of Quincy, Illinois ;

An act to incorporate the Richmond Female College ;

An act amendatory of the charter of the city of Liberty ;

An act to incorporate the town of Mexico, in Audrain county, Mo. ;

An act to authorize the appropriation of certain funds to the building a Seminary of Learning in the town of Frémont ;

An act to incorporate the Parkville Marine Insurance Company ;

An act to extend an act authorizing the erection of a toll bridge across the Meramee river ;

An act concerning the Treasurer and Public Administrator of Washington county ;

An act to incorporate the Cass County Agricultural and Mechanical Association ;

An act to establish a State road from Fulton to Portland, in Callaway county ;

- An act to establish a State road in Atchison county.
- An act to establish a State road from the Benton county line to Warrensburg, in Johnson county ;
- An act to authorize Margaret Scott to keep a ferry across the Missouri river, in Atchison county ;
- An act to declare certain County roads a State road ;
- An act to change the time of holding circuit courts in the counties of Lewis and Clark ;
- An act to incorporate the Canton Seminary ;
- An act concerning Clerks' and Sheriffs' fees ;
- An act giving certain powers to the circuit court of St. Louis county ;
- An act to amend the city charter of the city of St. Louis ;
- An act to amend an act entitled, " an act to provide for the management of the Penitentiary," approved February 16th, 1853 ;
- An act establishing limited partnerships ;
- An act enabling the U. S. Express Company to bring actions and suits at law in the name of the Directors of said Company ;
- An act to provide for the reduction of the city debt of the city of St. Louis ;
- An act to amend an act to regulate elections, approved March 28th, 1845 ;
- An act relating to the Collector of dram-shop licenses in St. Louis county ;
- An act to authorize the sale of certain lands in Callaway county ;
- An act to incorporate the Laclade Hotel Company of the city of St. Louis ;
- An act authorizing Lucinda Seals, executrix of Coleman Seals, deceased, late of Osage county, to sell certain real estate ;
- An act providing for the sale of the real estate of John Davis, deceased, late of Osage county ;
- An act for the relief of Littleton Conklin, late Sheriff of Schuyler county.
- The President of the Senate has also signed Enrolled House bills entitled,
- An act to amend an act entitled, " an act regulating clerks," approved March 27th, 1845 ;
- An act relating to the town of Middle Grove, in Monroe county ;
- An act providing for a division of township school funds belonging to Township 86, North, Range 6, East ;
- An act to amend an act entitled, " an act to incorporate the Mississippi Valley Railroad North," approved February 23d, 1853 ;
- An act to authorize the county court of St. Charles county to increase the width of County roads ;
- An act to prohibit the sale of spiritous liquors in Central Township, in Jefferson county ;
- An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Callaway County Mining and Manufacturing Company, approved February 16, 1847 ;
- Concurrent resolution in relation to printing the Journals.
- The Senate has reconsidered, amended and passed, as amended, House bill entitled,
- An act to prevent riots and breaches of the peace.

House bill of the following title has passed the Senate :

An act amendatory of an act to incorporate the Missouri State Agricultural Society.

The Senate has rejected Senate bill entitled,

An act supplementary and amendatory of an act entitled, an act to establish the St. Louis Land Court, and for other purposes.

The President has signed Enrolled Senate bill entitled,

An act to aid in the construction of the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into and passed the Senate :

An act to incorporate the Rozier and Birch Mining and Smelting Company ;

A bill to fix the time of holding circuit courts in the First Judicial Circuit ;

An act to restrict dram-shops in the county of Madison ;

An act to incorporate Charles Stewart's Normal and Mathematical Institute of St. Louis, Missouri ;

An act to incorporate the Vallé and Rozier Mining and Smelting Company ;

Concurrent resolution restricting Revisors.

A bill of the following title has passed the Senate :

An act to remit forfeiture and authorize a trustee to settle up the affairs of the Farmers' and Mechanics' Insurance Company.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate :

An act supplementary to an act in relation to the State Lunatic Asylum ;

An act to authorize the erection of a Lunatic Asylum in the county of St. Louis.

The Senate has amended and passed, as amended, House bill entitled,

An act supplementary to the several acts to incorporate the city of St. Louis.

Mr. Todd, on leave, from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred House bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the city of Fayette ;

Reported the same back with an amendment, and recommended its passage.

The amendment was read a first time, rule suspended, read a second time and agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, the rule requiring the yeas and nays on all acts of incorporation, being dispensed with.

On motion of Lewis, of St. L.,

The House adjourned.

MONDAY MORNING, MARCH 5TH, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boyle.

Mr. Britton, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles:

An act for the sale of certain lands in the county of Adair;

An act explanatory of an act approved February 8, 1853, entitled, an act to authorize the County Court of Platte county to appropriate money;

An act to preserve town plats in Clark county;

An act to legalize the sale of certain real estate in Stone county;

An act to establish a State road from the town of Linn Creek to the county seat of Vernon county;

An act to authorize the County Court of Dallas county to sell the swamp and overflowed lands in said county;

An act amendatory of all acts or parts of acts heretofore passed by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, having reference to Ste. Genevieve Big Field;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to change the name of the town of Bloomington, in Buchanan county, to that of De Kalb, and to incorporate the same, approved 28th February, 1851;

An act to authorize Samuel F. Haywood to sell certain real estate in Clark county;

An act concerning the conveyance of certain real estate;

An act to incorporate the Pleasant Ridge Male and Female College;

An act to revive an act entitled, an act to authorize Isaac R. Campbell to keep a ferry across the Des Moines river, at the town of Lancaster, in Clark county;

An act for the dedicating of lands;

An act to establish additional places of voting in Calumet and Buffalo townships, in Pike county;

An act for the benefit of the Hannibal, Ralls County and Paris Plank Road Company;

An act to vacate a portion of a State road in Ralls county;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the President and Board of Visitors and Examination of the Female Collegiate Institute, approved February 17, 1851;

An act to change a State road in the county of Miller;

An act to change a State road in Moniteau county;

An act for the benefit of Bailie Payton;

An act for the benefit of Sarah S. Williams, and others;

An act concerning recording in Lewis county;

An act for the relief of the Collector of Buchanan county;

An act declaring certain acts of the County Court of Jasper county valid, and also repealing the act establishing a Probate Court in said county;

An act to legalize and perfect a deed of conveyance from John Bradley and Sarah, his wife, to Marcellus F. Dunn;

An act to hasten the liquidation of the debt of Cole county;

An act supplementary to, and amendatory of, an act to incorporate the city of Boonville;

An act to establish a State road in the counties of Monroe, Marion and Ralls;

An act to pay Petit Jurors in Barry county;

An act regulating the election of County Court Justices in Gasconade county ;

An act for the relief of Robert Greer and Jeremiah Tillery, late Sheriffs, and John Steel, present Sheriff, of Clinton county ;

An act to incorporate the Warrenton Female Academy ;

An act to establish a State road from Athens, in Gentry county, to Snell's Mills, in Harrison county ;

An act to authorize Green B. Griffith to keep a ferry ;

An act to legalize the sale of certain town lots in the town of Ozark ;

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to provide for the levying, assessing and collecting the revenue, approved March 27, 1845 ;

An act providing for the election of County Treasurer, County school Commissioner and Public Administrator in the counties of Daviess, Carroll, Ray, Clinton and De Kalb ;

An act to change the time of holding courts in the Second Judicial Circuit ;

An act amendatory of an act approved February 27, 1851, entitled, an act to provide for the Western Marine Insurance Company ;

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Missouri State Agricultural Society, approved February 24, 1853 ;

An act for the support of Government for the years 1855 and 1856 ;

An act for the government of the State Lunatic Asylum, and the care of the Insane ;

An act to incorporate the Fillmore Mutual Insurance Company ;

An act to establish a State road in Buchanan county ;

An act to change the name of Betty P. Thompson ;

An act for the regulation and management of the State Library ;

An act to incorporate the town of Belmont ;

An act to exempt from taxation certain lands sold by the State of Missouri ;

An act specifying the duties of County Surveyors ;

An act to establish a Court of Common Pleas in the county of Ray ;

An act to incorporate the Fillmore Mutual Fire and Marine Insurance Company ;

An act supplementary to the several acts to incorporate the city of St. Louis ;

An act to prevent riots and breaches of the peace ;

An act to amend an act entitled, "an act to incorporate the Mississippi Valley Railroad North," approved Feb. 28d, 1853 ;

An act about the Jailor in St. Louis county ;

The Senate has reconsidered and laid on the table, Senate bill entitled, A bill to establish a ferry over the Meramec river.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed :

An act in regard to the establishment and improvement of roads in St. Louis county ;

A bill to incorporate the Hannibal Insurance Company ;

An act concerning juries in St. Louis county ;

A bill to authorize Martha A. Liggon and Maria Liggon, by their trustee, Jabez Shotwell, to sell certain real estate.

An act to permit Charles Bobb to sue for a divorce ;

An act concerning the estate of James Oliver, deceased.

Senate bill entitled,

An act regulating the liabilities of Inn-keepers ;
 Was taken up, read a first time, and,
 On motion of Mr. Frost, it was postponed until the first Monday in November next.

Senate bill entitled,
 An act to extend the limits of the city of St. Louis, and for other purposes ;

Was taken up and read a first time.

Mr. Hardeman, on leave, from the Committee on Agriculture, submitted a report, which was laid on the table and five thousand copies ordered to be printed.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER: A joint resolution of the following title has been introduced into the Senate and passed :

Joint resolution to appoint a committee ;

A House bill of the following title, has passed the Senate :

An act for the relief of Aylett H. Buckner, of St. Louis county.

The President of the Senate has signed Enrolled Senate bills entitled,

An act to incorporate the Fillmore Mutual Fire and Marine Insurance Company.

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Missouri State Agricultural Society, approved February 24th, 1853 ;

An act amendatory of an act, approved February 27th, 1851, entitled, an act to provide for the Western Marine Insurance Company ;

An act for the regulation and management of the State Library ;

An act concerning jurors in St. Louis county ;

Joint resolutions requiring certain duties of the committee appointed by the Governor to examine into the condition of the Register's office ;

An act concerning the Penitentiary ;

An act for the relief of Aylett H. Buckner, of St. Louis county.

The President of the Senate has signed Enrolled House bills entitled,

An act to incorporate the Weston and Randolph Railroad ;

An act supplementary of an act entitled, an act to change a State road in Atchison county.

Senate bill entitled,

An act for the relief of J. L. Castello, of St. Louis county ;

Was taken up, read a first time, rule suspended, read a second and third time and passed.

Mr. Frost moved to take a recess for two hours ;

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Minor :

AYES—Messrs. Acock, Alexander, Bohannon, Britton, Cunningham, Dorris, Everett, Frost, Garth, Graves, Green, of F., Harrison, Hardin, Holmes, Hughes, Lewis, of C., McCulloch, McFarland, Minor, Moseley, Neill, Reid, Shelton, Turner, White and Williams, of Henry—28.

NOES—Messrs. Baker, Barrett, Blakey, Bogy, Bradford, Breckinridge, Brown, of J., Burnes, Clippard, Clark, Davis, Doniphan, of C., Doniphan, of P., Drake, Ewing, Fagg, Farrar, Feagan, Field, Gentry,

Goode, Green, of L., Harris, Hardeman, Hickox, Isbell, Jones, Kelly, Lewis, of St. L., McAfee, McCarty, McLane, of Cape G., Medley, Patrick, Rollins, Smth, of P., Smith, of St. L., Todd, Yeats and Mr. Speaker.—40.

Absent—Messrs. Bean, Blair, Botts, Boyd, Bradford, Brown, of N., Brown, of St. L., Buford, Bullock, Chilton, Cravens, Darby, Darnes, Dodson, Donelan, Dyer, Fant, Guitar, Harding, Heryford, Hill, Howell, Jackson, Jeffress, Jennings, King, Layton, Lightner, McCary, McFall, McMahon, McSpadden, Moore, Monro, Morrow, Mott, Mothersead, Nevill, Parcells, Phillips, Powers, Pratt, Ritchey, Roberts, Sitten, Smith, of Bollinger, Smith, of S., Standiford, Tucker, Webb, Whitaker, Williams, of Daviess, and Wyatt.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Gilstrap, McClain, of St. C., Morgan, and Shambaugh.

Sick—Mr. Houghton.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

Mr. SPEAKER : The President of the Senate has signed enrolled House bills entitled :

An act to incorporate the Young Men's Savings' Institution in Booneville ;

An act in relation to public parks and squares in St. Louis county ;

An act to incorporate the Minerva Female Academy in Hannibal, Missouri ;

An act to incorporate the Parkville and Ridgeley Railroad Company ;

An act to incorporate the Weston and Clinton County Railroad.

Bills of the following titles have been introduced into the Senate and passed :

Joint resolution in relation to the revision of the Laws ;

An act to aid in the construction of the Cairo and Fulton Railroad Company ;

An act to incorporate the Lafayette Branch of the Pacific Railroad ;

The Senate has agreed to House amendments to Senate bill entitled,

An act regulating the time of payment of money falling due upon holidays.

The Senate has reconsidered and passed, bill entitled :

An act supplemental to an act in relation to the State Lunatic Asylum ;

The Senate has reconsidered, amended and passed Senate bill entitled,

An act more effectually to prevent riots on railroad lines in this State ;

An act to incorporate the Western and Randolph County Railroad ;

An act for the sale of certain lands in the county of Adair ;

An act explanatory of act approved February 28th, 1853, entitled, an act to authorize the county court of Platte county to appropriate money ;

An act to preserve town plats in Clark county ;

An act to legalize the sale of certain lands in Stone county ;

An act to establish a State road from Linn creek to the county seat of Vernon county ;

An act to authorize the county court of Dallas county to sell the swamp and overflowed lands in said county ;

An act amendatory of all acts and parts of acts heretofore passed by the General Assembly, of the State of Missouri, having reference to the Ste. Genevieve big field;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to change the name of the town of Bloomington, Buchanan county, to that of DeKalb, and to incorporate the same, approved February 28th, 1851;

An act to authorize Samuel F. Haywood to sell certain real estate, in Clark county;

An act concerning the conveyance of certain real estate;

An act to incorporate the Pleasant Ridge Male and Female College;

An act to revive an act entitled, an act to authorize Isaac R. Campbell to keep a ferry across the Des Moines river, at the town of Lancaster, in Clark county;

An act for the dedication of lands;

An act to establish additional places of voting in Calumet and Buffalo Townships, in Pike county;

An act for the relief of Justices of the Peace of Parkville;

An act for the benefit of the Hannibal, Ralls County and Paris Plank Road Company;

An act to vacate a portion of a State road, in Ralls county;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the President and Board of Visitors and Examination of the Female Collegiate Institute, approved February 17th, 1851;

An act to change a State road in the county of Miller;

An act to change a State road in Moniteau county;

An act for the benefit of Ballie Peyton;

An act for the benefit of Sarah S. Williams and others;

An act concerning the recording in Lewis county;

An act for the relief of the Collector of Buchanan county;

An act declaring acts of the county court of Jasper county valid, and also repealing the acts establishing a probate court in said county;

An act to legalize and perfect a deed of conveyance from John Bradley and Sarah, his wife, to Marcellus F. Dunn;

An act to hasten the liquidation of the debt of Cole county;

An act supplementary to and amendatory of an act to incorporate the city of Boonville;

An act to incorporate the Laclede Insurance Company;

An act to establish a State road in the counties of Marion, Monroe and Ralls;

An act to pay Petit Jurors in Barry county;

An act regulating the election of county court justices in Gasconade county;

An act for the relief of Robert Greer and Jeremiah Tillery, late Sheriffs, and John Steele, present Sheriff, of Clinton county;

An act to establish a State road from Athens, in Gentry county, to Smelt's mills, in Harrison county;

An act incorporating the Warrenton Female Academy;

An act to authorize Green B. Griffith to keep a ferry;

An act to legalize the sale of certain town lots in the town of Ozark;

An act amendatory to an act entitled, an act to provide for the levying, assessing and collecting the revenue, approved March 27th, 1846;

An act supplementary to an act entitled, an act to incorporate the city of Savannah, approved February 24th, 1853;

An act to build a road from the town of Bloomfield to the town of Commerce ;

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to incorporate the town of Roanoke, approved February 24th, 1853 ;

An act to vacate a part of First Main street, of Fayette, Mo. ;

An act concerning the Penitentiary ;

Joint resolution requiring certain duties of the Committee appointed by the Governor to examine the condition of the Register's office ;

An act for the government of the State Lunatic Asylum and the care of the insane.

Mr. Jones asked leave to introduce a bill authorizing the taking of the census of Webster county ;

Which was refused.

On motion of Mr. Hardin,

The House adjourned until 1 o'clock, P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker laid before the House of Representatives the following communication from the Governor :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
City of Jefferson, Mo., March 5, 1855. }

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives :

GENTLEMEN : I have this day approved and signed bills of the following titles :

An act amendatory to an act entitled, an act to provide for the levying, assessing and collecting the revenue ;

An act to vacate a part of First Main street in Fayette, Missouri ;

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to incorporate the town of Roanoke, approved February 24th, 1853 ;

An act to prevent riots and breaches of the peace ;

An act supplementary to the several acts to incorporate the city of St. Louis ;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Mississippi Valley Railroad North, approved February 23d, 1853 ;

An act for the relief of A. H. Buckner of St. Louis county ;

An act supplementary to an act entitled, an act to change a State road in Atchison county, passed at the present session of the General Assembly ;

An act regulating the election of county court justices in Gasconade county ;

An act for the relief of Robert Greer and Jeremiah Tillery, late sheriffs, and John Steel, present sheriff, of Clinton county ;

An act to incorporate the Warrenton Female Academy ;

An act to establish a State road from Athens, in Gentry county, to Snell's mills, in Harrison county ;

- An act to authorize Green B. Griffith to keep a ferry ;
- An act to build a road from the town of Bloomfield, to the town of Commerce ;
- An act supplementary to an act entitled, an act to incorporate the city of Savannah, approved February 24th, 1853 ;
- An act to pay petit jurors in Barry county ;
- An act for the sale of certain lands in the county of Adair ;
- An act explanatory of an act approved February 8th, 1853, entitled, an act to authorize the county court of Platte county, to appropriate money ;
- An act to incorporate the Weston and Randolph Railroad ;
- An act to preserve town plats in Clark county ;
- An act to legalize the sale of certain real estate in Stone county ;
- An act to establish a State road from the town of Linn Creek, to the county seat of Vernon county ;
- An act to authorize the county court of Dallas county, to sell the swamp and overflowed land in said county ;
- An act amendatory of all acts or parts of acts heretofore passed by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, having reference to the Ste. Genevieve Big Field ;
- An act to amend an act entitled, an act to change the name of the town of Bloomington, in Buchanan, to that of DeKalb and to incorporate the same, approved February 28th, 1851 ;
- An act to authorize Samuel F. Haywood to sell certain real estate in Clark county ;
- An act concerning the conveyance of certain real estate ;
- An act to incorporate the Pleasant Ridge Male and Female College ;
- An act for the dedicating of lands ;
- An act to revive an act entitled, an act to authorize Isaac R. Campbell to keep a Ferry across the Des Moines river, at Lancaster, in Clark county ;
- An act to establish places of voting in Calumet and Buffalo Townships, in Pike county ;
- An act for the relief of the Justices of the Peace, of Parkville ;
- An act for the benefit of the Hannibal, Ralls County and Paris Plank Road Company ;
- An act to vacate a portion of a State road in Ralls county ;
- An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the President and Board of Visitors and Examination, of the Female Collegiate Institute, approved February 17, 1851 ;
- An act to change a State road in the county of Miller ;
- An act to change a State road in Moniteau county ;
- An act for the benefit of Bailie Peyton ;
- An act for the benefit of Sarah S. Williams and others ;
- An act concerning recording in Lewis county ;
- An act for the relief of the Collector of Buchanan county ;
- An act declaring certain acts of the county court of Jasper county valid, and also repealing the acts establishing a Probate Court in said county ;
- An act to legalize and perfect a deed of conveyance from John Bradley and Sarah, his wife, to Marcellus F. Dunn ;
- An act to hasten the liquidation of the debt of Cole county ;

An act supplementary to and amendatory of an act to incorporate the city of Boonville ;

An act to incorporate the Laclède Insurance Company ;

An act to establish a State road in the counties of Marion, Monroe and Ralls ;

An act to change the time of holding circuit courts in the second judicial circuit ;

An act specifying the duties of County Surveyors ;

An act to legalize the sale of certain town lots in the town of Ozark ;

An act to establish a court of common pleas in the county of Ray ;

An act to incorporate the town of Belmont ;

An act to change the name of Bettie P. Thompson ;

An act to exempt from taxation certain lands sold by the State of Missouri ;

An act providing for the election of County Treasurers, County School Commissioners and Public Administrators in the counties of Daviess, Carroll, Ray, Clinton and DeKalb ;

An act to establish a State road in Buchanan county ;

An act for the regulation and management of the State Library ;

An act for the support of government for the years 1855 and 1856.

Very respectfully,

STERLING PRICE.

Mr. Britton, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as truly enrolled, bills of the following titles :

An act supplementary of an act entitled, an act to change a State road in Atchison county ;

An act for the relief of Aylett H. Buckner of St. Louis county ;

An act to authorize Jesse Benton, of Crawford county, to convey certain real estate.

Mr. Rollins, on leave, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, submitted a report,

Which was laid on the table, and five hundred copies ordered to be printed, to be forwarded to the members of the House.

On motion of Mr. Frost,

Resolved, That all business in the hands of committees and before the House, be referred to the first Monday of November next.

On motion of Mr. Cunningham,

Resolved, That the thanks of this House are respectfully tendered to the Speaker and Speaker *pro tem.*, Clerks and other officers of this House, for the faithful manner in which they have performed their respective duties.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Holliday, Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER: The President of the Senate has signed bills entitled,
An act concerning jurors in St. Louis county ;

An act to incorporate the Great Western Fire and Marine Mutual Insurance Company, of St. Louis ;

An act supplemental to an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Wesleyan Cemetery Association, approved February 28th, 1851 ;

- An act to incorporate the Mound City Mutual Fire and Marine Insurance Company of St. Louis ;
- An act to fix the time of holding courts in the first judicial circuit ;
- An act to restrict dramshops in Madison county ;
- Proposed amendments to the Constitution concerning the pay of members of the General Assembly ;
- An act to incorporate Cooper Lodge, No. 36, of Free and Accepted Ancient Masons, in Boonville, Cooper county ;
- An act concerning titles to State lands ;
- An act to amend the school law ;
- An act concerning the Public Administrator in Saline county ;
- An act appointing trustees to receive and dispose of certain property belonging to the Ozark Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church ;
- An act to amend an act entitled, an act prescribing the time and place of holding the Supreme Court, approved March 23d, 1845 ;
- An act to incorporate the Great Republic Insurance Company of St. Louis ;
- An act regulating the pay of grand and petit jurors and witnesses in St. Louis county ;
- An act for the benefit of the widow and heirs of Reuben Johnson, dec'd ;
- An act to regulate the time of payment of moneys falling due upon holydays ;
- An act for the benefit of Martha McDaniel, minor heir of J. B. McDaniel, late of Laclede county ;
- An act to permit Charles Bobb, to sue for a divorce ;
- An act to provide for the payment by the State of judicial salaries in St Louis county ;
- An act for the benefit of the heirs of Thomas J. Walker, dec'd ;
- An act to pay witnesses before grand juries in Harrison, DeKalb and Daviess counties ;
- An act to authorize the county court to alter or abolish State roads under certain circumstances ;
- An act to authorize Wm. W. Moseley, to dispose of certain lots and lands for the benefit of John A. Hendley, and other minors ;
- Joint resolution for the appointment of commissioners to examine certain railroads in this State ;
- An act to grant the States' right to certain land ;
- An act to pay road overseers in the county of DeKalb.
- The President of the Senate has also signed Enrolled House bills entitled,
- An act amendatory of an act approved February 27th, 1851 ;
- An act for the regulation and management of the State library ;
- An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Missouri State Agricultural Society, approved February 24th, 1853 ;
- An act to incorporate the Fillmore Fire Insurance Company ;
- An act to change the time of holding circuit courts in the second judicial circuit ;
- An act specifying the duty of County Surveyors ;
- An act to establish a Court of Common Pleas in Ray county ;
- An act to incorporate the town of Belmont ;
- An act to change the name of Bettie P. Thompson ;

An act to exempt from taxation certain lands sold by the State of Missouri ;

An act providing for the election of County Treasurer, Commissioner and Public Administrator in Daviess, Carroll, Ray, Clinton and DeKalb counties ;

An act to establish a State road in Buchanan county ;

An act for the support of government for the years 1855 and 1856 ;

An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Mississippi Valley Railroad North, approved February 23d, 1853 ;

An act in regard to the establishment and improvement of roads in St. Louis county ;

An act about the Jailor of St. Louis county ;

An act to incorporate the Weston and Randolph County Railroad ;

An act supplementary to an act entitled, an act to change a State road in Atchison county, passed at the present session of the General Assembly ;

An act for the relief of Aylett H. Buckner, of St. Louis county ;

An act for the government of the State Lunatic Asylum, and the care of the insane ;

An act supplementary to the several acts incorporating the city of St. Louis ;

An act to prevent riots and breaches of the peace ;

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Governor :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
City of Jefferson, Mo., March 3, 1855. }

To the Hon., the House of Representatives :

GENTLEMEN: I have this day approved and signed bills of the following titles :

An act to incorporate the city of De Soto ;

An act to increase the pay of County Court Justices ;

An act to authorize the sale of real estate ;

An act appropriating money for the support and enlargement of the State Lunatic Asylum ;

An act for the relief of James Patton and others ;

An act concerning fines and forfeitures in Dent county ;

An act for the relief of Stephen F. Nuckolls, of Atchison county ;

An act to change the name of Mrs. Emma Route ;

An act for the relief of John Chappell ;

An act to pay jurors in Livingston county ;

An act concerning elections ;

An act to incorporate the city of Parkville ;

An act to establish Eldon College ;

An act to incorporate a Farmers' and Mechanics' Savings' Institution in the county of Buchanan ;

An act to incorporate the Mississippi Valley Joint Stock Insurance Company of St. Louis, Missouri ;

An act for the benefit of Lewis M. Frazier, of Lincoln county ;

An act amendatory of an act to authorize the formation of Associations to construct Plank Roads and McAdamized Roads, approved February 27th, 1851 ;

An act to incorporate Friendship Lodge, No. 89, of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons ;

An act to revive and amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Savannah and St. Joseph Railroad Company ;

An act to incorporate the Bloomfield Academy ;

An act to authorize the county court of Taney county to borrow money ;

An act granting certain powers to the county court of Callaway county ;

An act to incorporate the Clay County Agricultural and Mechanical Association ;

An act authorizing the guardian of Mary Ann Seppy to convey land ;

An act to incorporate the St. Joseph City Company ;

An act to authorize Helene Müller, of St. Charles county, to sell certain real estate ;

An act for the relief of David Mitchell ;

An act to authorize the erection of a toll bridge in Jefferson county, across Big River ;

An act in relation to the heirs of Robert Adkins, deceased.

I am, very respectfully,

STERLING PRICE.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
City of Jefferson, March 5, 1855. }

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives :

GENTLEMEN : I have this day approved and signed bills of the following titles :

An act to incorporate the Canton Seminary ;

An act to establish a State road from Fulton to Portland, in Callaway county ;

An act for the relief of Littleton H. Conklin, late Sheriff of Schuyler county ;

An act to provide for the reduction of the city debt of the city of St. Louis ;

An act giving certain powers to the circuit court of St. Louis county ;

An act to incorporate the Western and Clinton County Railroad ;

An act creating the office of Assistant Circuit Attorney in St. Louis county ;

An act to incorporate the Minerva Female Academy of Hannibal, Mo. ;

An act providing for a division of township school funds belonging to township 36, N., range 6, East ;

A resolution in relation to printing the Journals ;

An act to incorporate the Parkville and Ridgeley Railroad Company ;

An act providing for the sale of real estate of John Davis, dec'd, late of Osage county ;

An act enabling the United States Express Company to bring actions and suits at law, in this State, in the name of the directors of said Company ;

- An act concerning clerks' and sheriffs' fees ;
- An act to establish a State road in Atchison county ;
- An act to amend the city charter of the city of St. Louis ;
- An act to establish a State road from the Benton county line to Warrensburg, in Johnson county ;
- An act authorizing Lucinda Seals, Executrix of Coleman Seals, late of Osage county, to sell certain real estate ;
- An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Callaway Mining and Manufacturing Company, approved February 16, 1847 ;
- An act relating to the Collector of dram-shop license in the county of St. Louis ;
- An act to incorporate the Young Men's Saving Institution in Boonville ;
- An act in relation to Public Parks and Squares in St. Louis county ;
- An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Mississippi Valley Railroad North, approved February 23d, 1853 ;
- An act to declare a certain County road a State road ;
- An act establishing limited partnerships ;
- An act to authorize Margaret Scott to keep a ferry across the Missouri river, in Atchison county ;
- An act to declare certain County roads a State road ;
- An act to amend an act entitled, " an act for the management of the Penitentiary," approved February 16, 1853 ;
- An act to prohibit the sale of spiritous liquor in the township of Central, in the county of Jefferson ;
- An act to authorize the county court of St. Charles county to increase the width of County roads ;
- An act relating to the township of Middle Grove, in Monroe county ;
- An act to change the time of holding the circuit courts in the counties of Lewis and Clark ;
- An act to incorporate the Laclede Hotel Company of the city of St. Louis ;
- An act to authorize the sale of certain lands in the county of Callaway ;
- An act supplemental to an act entitled, an act to amend an act to incorporate the Mammoth Mining Company, approved January 29, 1855 ;
- An act to amend " an act to regulate elections," approved March 28, 1845 ;
- An act to amend an act entitled, an act regulating clerks, approved March 27th, 1845 ;
- An act to authorize Jesse Benton, of Crawford county, to convey certain real estate.

Very respectfully,
STERLING PRICE.

On motion of Cunningham,
Messrs. Darnes, McFarland and Todd were added to the Committee to visit the State University at Columbia.

Mr. Britton offered the following concurrent resolution, which was read a first and second time and adopted :

Resolved, By the House, the Senate concurring, that a Joint Committee be appointed to wait on the Governor, and inform him that the two Houses have completed their business, and are now ready to adjourn until the 1st Monday in November next.

The Speaker, under the above resolution appointed from the House, Messrs. Britton and Doniphan, of P., on said Committee.

Message from the Senate by Mr. McCracken, Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER : The Senate has concurred in House resolution to appoint a Committee to wait on the Governor, and the President has appointed, on the part of the Senate on that Committee, Messrs. Morris, Stevenson and Robinson.

The Speaker announced the appointment of Messrs. Davis and Breckinridge, as a committee on the part of the House to investigate the reports, expenditures, &c., of the several railroads in this State.

The committee appointed to wait on the Governor to know if he had any further communication to make, reported that they had discharged that duty, and that the Governor had no further communications to make.

On motion of Mr. Britton,

Resolved, That the Senate be informed that the House is now ready to adjourn till the first Monday in November next.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Stevenson, a Senator :

MR. SPEAKER : I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate is now ready to adjourn until the first Monday in November next.

On motion of Mr. Britton,

The House adjourned until the first Monday in November next.

APPENDIX
TO THE JOURNALS OF THE EIGHTEENTH GENERAL
ASSEMBLY OF MISSOURI.

1. The first part of the paper discusses the importance of the study of the history of the United States. It is argued that the study of history is essential for a full understanding of the present and for the development of a sense of national identity. The author points out that the study of history can help us to understand the causes of the problems we face today and to find ways to solve them. It can also help us to appreciate the achievements of our ancestors and to learn from their mistakes.

2. The second part of the paper discusses the importance of the study of the history of the United States. It is argued that the study of history is essential for a full understanding of the present and for the development of a sense of national identity. The author points out that the study of history can help us to understand the causes of the problems we face today and to find ways to solve them. It can also help us to appreciate the achievements of our ancestors and to learn from their mistakes.

3. The third part of the paper discusses the importance of the study of the history of the United States. It is argued that the study of history is essential for a full understanding of the present and for the development of a sense of national identity. The author points out that the study of history can help us to understand the causes of the problems we face today and to find ways to solve them. It can also help us to appreciate the achievements of our ancestors and to learn from their mistakes.

4. The fourth part of the paper discusses the importance of the study of the history of the United States. It is argued that the study of history is essential for a full understanding of the present and for the development of a sense of national identity. The author points out that the study of history can help us to understand the causes of the problems we face today and to find ways to solve them. It can also help us to appreciate the achievements of our ancestors and to learn from their mistakes.

REPORT
OF THE
AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS,
TO THE EIGHTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, AUDITOR'S OFFICE, }
City of Jefferson, December 25th, 1854. }

In obedience to the requirements of law, the Auditor of Public Accounts herewith submits to the General Assembly his biennial report, exhibiting the condition of the revenue for the two fiscal years, beginning on the first day of October, 1852, and ending on the 30th day of September, 1854, and showing the amount received and the amount expended during that period; an estimate of the receipts and expenditures for the two succeeding fiscal years, ending on the 30th day of September, 1856; a tabular statement showing the whole amount of each appropriation made by law, the amount paid under the same, and the balance unexpended; an exhibit of the amount of stock in the Bank of Missouri, held by the State in her own right, and in trust for the Seminary, State School, and Sinking Funds; a full and detailed statement of the Public Debt; and tabular statements, showing the amount of revenue chargeable to each county, for the two preceding fiscal years, the aggregate amount of each object of taxation, together with the tax due on the same.

A table showing the amount of State credit loaned to the several Railroad companies in this State, the amount of State bonds issued to each, and the balance of State credit due each, on the first day of October, 1854, is also herewith submitted for the information of the General Assembly.

The amount of revenue received into the treasury, from ordinary sources, for the two fiscal years ending on the 30th day of September, 1854, is eight hundred and eight thousand, six hundred and sixty-five dollars. To this sum must be added two hundred and eight thousand, eight hundred and seventy-five dollars, and sixty-three cents, the amount of the proceeds of the sale of State bonds, authorized to be issued by an Act of the Legislature, approved February 24th, 1853, and the whole amount of revenue paid into the treasury, from all sources, during the period mentioned, is one million, seventeen thousand, five hundred and forty dollars, and sixty-three cents. The balance in the treasury on the first day of October, 1852, adding five thousand, eight hundred and forty-three dollars, and fifty-six cents, and deducting three thousand, five hundred and sixty-nine dollars, and eighty-four cents, for reasons which will fully appear by reference to a tabular state-

ment accompanying this report, amounted to the sum of three hundred and fifty-nine thousand, two hundred and ninety-one dollars, and one cent, which, being added to the revenue received from all sources for the two last fiscal years, shows the whole amount subject to appropriation, during that period, to be one million, three hundred and seventy-six thousand, eight hundred and thirty-one dollars, and sixty-four cents.

The amount of expenditures, during the period above mentioned, including ordinary and special appropriations, is six hundred and twenty-eight thousand, four hundred and eighty-three dollars, and seventy-four cents. To this sum must be added two hundred and fifty-five thousand dollars, the amount of State bonds redeemed under the Act of February 24th, 1853; seventy-four thousand, one hundred and seventy-eight dollars, and fifty-seven cents, the amount of revenue set apart for Common School purposes; three thousand, eight hundred and thirteen dollars, and fifty cents, the amount of wolf-scalp certificates burnt by order of the committee in 1852; and two thousand and fifty-eight dollars, and thirteen cents, the amount transferred from revenue to the fund for the payment of redemption money, and the whole amount of expenditures, ordinary and extraordinary, during the period referred to, is shown to be nine hundred and sixty-three thousand, five hundred and thirty-three dollars, and ninety-four cents, leaving a balance in the treasury, on the first day of October, 1854, of four hundred and thirteen thousand, two hundred and ninety-seven dollars, and seventy cents. This balance includes one hundred and forty-one thousand, three hundred and sixty-two dollars and twenty cents, the amount of unexpended appropriations; twenty-six thousand, four hundred and twenty-two dollars, and thirty cents, the amount of State bonds redeemed, and land-office and wolf-scalp certificates charged to the Treasurer as cash, and thirty-seven thousand and forty-five dollars, and ninety-one cents, the amount of the defalcation of the late State Treasurer, Peter G. Glover, deceased. These items make, in the aggregate, the sum of two hundred and four thousand, eight hundred and thirty dollars, and forty-one cents, which, being deducted from the balance above stated, leaves a balance in the treasury, on the first day of October, 1854, of two hundred and eight thousand, four hundred and sixty-seven dollars, and twenty-nine cents, subject to appropriation by the present General Assembly.

It is believed that the receipts into the treasury, from all revenue sources, for the two succeeding fiscal years, will show an average increase of twenty per cent, upon the amount of revenue receipts for the year 1854. This opinion is based upon the fact of a regular progressive increase in the revenues of the State, during a series of years, as is exhibited by the vouchers in this office, and upon the additional fact, that, under the recent legislation of the federal government, there will be a vastly augmented quantity of land subject to taxation for the years 1855 and 1856. It is therefore estimated, that the receipts into the treasury, from all revenue sources, for the two succeeding fiscal years, beginning on the first day of October, 1854, and ending the 30th day of September, 1856, will amount to the sum of one million and thirty-one thousand dollars. The amount of the ordinary expenses of the State government, for the two fiscal years next succeeding, is estimated at five hundred thousand dollars. This estimate is made with reference to the increased expenditure consequent upon the protracted sitting of the present revising session of the General Assembly, and it is believed that the amount of disbursements, for ordinary purposes, will fall below, rather than exceed,

the sum stated. By an act of the last General Assembly, it is made the duty of the Auditor of Public Accounts to set apart twenty-five per cent of revenue receipts for State School purposes. If the above estimates are correct, the amount of school fund chargeable to revenue, for the two fiscal years following, will be two hundred and fifty-seven thousand, seven hundred and fifty-dollars, which being added to the amount of estimated ordinary expenditures for the same period, will leave a balance in the treasury, on the first day of October, 1856, of two hundred and seventy-three thousand, two hundred and fifty dollars.

Adding the unappropriated balance in the treasury on the first day of October, 1854, to the estimated amount in the treasury, above the ordinary expenditures for the two next fiscal years, on the first day of October, 1856, and it will appear, that the means at the disposal of the present General Assembly, for such extraordinary appropriations as the public exigencies may demand, amount to the sum of four hundred and eighty-one thousand, seven hundred and seventeen dollars, and twenty-nine cents.

It is impossible to anticipate the amount of the special appropriations which may be made during the sitting of the present Legislature; but judging by the action of former General Assemblies, it may be safely assumed, that the extraordinary appropriations of the present session will not exceed the sum of two hundred thousand dollars. Assuming the foregoing estimates to be correct, there will be a surplus in the treasury, on the first day of October, 1856, amounting to two hundred and eighty-one thousand seven hundred and seventeen dollars and twenty-nine cents, above all the expenses of the State Government, ordinary and extraordinary. The disposition of this large surplus is wholly within the wisdom and discretion of the present Legislature. In view of the common evils of an overflowing treasury, stimulating, as it invariably does, to measures of public extravagance, it is respectfully suggested to the General Assembly to apply a portion of this surplus to the payment of State bonds, amounting to two hundred thousand dollars, and which are now outstanding, and redeemable at the pleasure of the State. It is believed that such a disposition of the surplus means of the State would not only tend to preserve the public credit unimpaired, but to elevate the price of State stocks in every market where the resources of Missouri are known and appreciated, and her readiness to meet all her pecuniary liabilities understood. When it is remembered that the last Legislature made provision for loaning the credit of the State to several railroad companies, to the amount of eight millions two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, a large part of which has not yet been realized by said companies, the recommendation made is deemed worthy of grave consideration.

It will be observed by reference to a tabular statement herewith submitted, showing the dates, amounts and rates of interest, of outstanding State bonds, that the liabilities of the State have been reduced fifty-five thousand dollars, since the date of the last report from this office. By authority of an act of the last Legislature, State bonds amounting to two hundred and fifty-five thousand dollars, which were due and payable in the months of May, November and October of the year 1853, have been redeemed and cancelled by the issue of additional bonds to the amount of two hundred thousand dollars, and the payment of fifty-five thousand dollars, in cash, from the treasury. The public debt, therefore, at this date, amounts to the sum of eight hundred and two thousand dollars. Deducting two hundred

and seventy-two thousand two hundred and sixty-three dollars, and sixty cents, the amount of stock which the State holds in the Bank of Missouri, in her own right, and which is considered equivalent to cash, and the actual public debt is reduced to five hundred and twenty-nine thousand seven hundred and thirty-six dollars and forty cents, a very inconsiderable sum when compared with the prosperous condition of the treasury, and the growing resources of the State.

A part of the public debt was created by an act of the Legislature, approved March 3rd, 1851, entitled "an act to authorize a temporary loan." Under this law, State bonds to the amount of two hundred thousand dollars were issued and sold on the 24th of May, 1851, bearing six per cent. interest, and payable in five years, but redeemable at any time after the lapse of two years from the date of negotiation, at the pleasure of the State. As this issue of bonds will fall due before the meeting of the next General Assembly, it is necessary that provision should be made at the present session for the prompt payment of the same, either by authorizing the issue of additional bonds, or by setting apart, for that purpose, the surplus revenue in the treasury, as has been suggested.

No change has been made in the State Stocks in the Bank of Missouri, held by the State in her own right, and in trust for the Seminary, State School and Sinking Fund, since the last report of the Auditor of Public Accounts. There is in the treasury ten thousand, nine hundred and nineteen dollars and thirty-two cents, derived from the sale of Saline lands, which the law requires to be invested as part of the capital stock of the State School fund; but, for reasons which are deemed satisfactory, the present commissioners of this fund have not directed the investment to be made. For similar reasons, the dividends arising from the stock in Bank, held in trust for the Sinking fund, have not been invested, and of which there is in the treasury the sum of six thousand, three hundred and fifty-two dollars and eight cents.

The revenue system of the State is plain and simple, well adapted to the public wants, and of easy comprehension by those entrusted with its execution. If defects are discovered in its practical operation, these are attributable to the errors of those connected with the administration of the system, rather than to any inherent defects in the system itself. With a few slight changes in the mode of executing our revenue laws, they are deemed as perfect as the public necessities require; and the Auditor of Public Accounts will avail himself of an early opportunity to acquaint the committees of Ways and Means with the nature of the changes proposed, as it is not considered necessary to prolong this report with details.

The tables which accompany this report show a gratifying increase in the revenue of 1854, over that of 1853, in almost every county in the State; and a comparison of the two last with former years will exhibit the fact of a regular progressive increase in the receipts into the treasury, for a series of years. It also appears that the law abolishing the license formerly imposed upon merchants and grocers, passed at the last session of the Legislature, has not injuriously affected the revenues of the State, as the aggregate amount of licenses collected in 1854 exceeds that collected in 1853. A comparison of the amount received from licenses in 1854, with that received in the years 1849 and 1850, when the old license law was in full operation, also discloses results highly favorable to the operation of the present law. This affords proof of the propriety of removing the burden

of a license tax from merchants and grocers, and fully meets the expectations of the friends of that measure.

The annual receipts into the treasury are more than sufficient to meet all the wants of the State government, and the existence of public debts which fall due in 1856, and the school law of the last session, which requires twenty-five per cent. of the whole amount of revenue received to be set apart for common school purposes, alone forbid the recommendation to the Legislature of a reduction of the present rate of taxation. It does not come within the province, perhaps, of the Auditor of Public Accounts to give any expression in regard to the policy or impolicy of the provision referred to in the present school law, but the remark is hazarded, that it may well be doubted whether that provision has ever received the popular sanction, or whether it will accomplish the beneficent purposes for which it was enacted.

In this connection, it is considered important to call the attention of the Legislature to the defective assessments of real property. The law requires all property to be assessed according to its cash value, at the time of the assessment. A rigid enforcement of this law would add largely to the annual receipts into the treasury, as it is well known that lands throughout the State, (St. Louis county alone excepted) are assessed, upon an average, at about one half their actual value. It is believed that a remedy may be found for this official delinquency, in providing adequate compensation to secure the services of competent assessors, and severe penalties for a failure to discharge their duties, promptly and faithfully. A subject so seriously affecting the revenues cannot fail to arrest the consideration of the General Assembly.

The subject of the increasing amount of disbursements from the treasury, for the payment of costs in criminal cases, has been so frequently brought to the notice of the Legislature, that it is not thought proper to say more at present, than that it is worthy of enquiry, whether the existing law shall be continued, or whether another, and a more economical plan may not be adopted, which will equally subserve the public interests.

Since the adjournment of the last Legislature, several general appropriations have been exhausted, and the present General Assembly will be notified, specifically, at an early day in the session, of the several amounts required to meet claims against the State, which have been presented at this office, but not paid for the want of appropriated means.

The Auditor of Public Accounts, in concluding this report, may be allowed the expression of the great satisfaction he feels in being enabled to represent the financial affairs of the State in so favorable and prosperous a condition. It may justly be a source of pride to the people and their representatives, that, with an inconsiderable public debt and a rapidly augmenting revenue, the resources of Missouri are abundantly ample to meet all her pecuniary engagements, at home and abroad, and that her credit is based upon the solid foundation of available means in the treasury.

WM. H. BUFFINGTON,
Auditor of Public Accounts.

RECEIPTS into the Treasury for the two years ending 30th September, 1854.

Year.	Month.	Amount of each month.	Amount of each quarter.	Amount of each year.	
1852.	October,	\$19,725 50			
	November,	48,021 61			
	December,	45,049 21	\$112,796 22		
1853.	January,	257,719 12			
	February,	21,168 57			
	March,	18,916 56	292,799 25		
	April,	18,750 56			
	May,	7,892 79			
	June,	215,847 18	237,480 58		
	July,	71,026 64			
	August,	78,060 08			
	September,	6,818 01	99,899 70	\$788,975 70	First Year.
	October,	12,609 87			
	November,	40,819 45			
	December,	60,927 12	114,256 44		
1854.	January,	289,049 91			
	February,	12,845 64			
	March,	10,070 09	311,965 04		
	April,	18,697 19			
	May,	27,848 21			
	June,	8,706 64	56,250 44		
	July,	69,160 81			
	August,	12,443 18			
	September,	2,575 11	84,178 55	570,280 47	Second Year.
				1,304,226 17	Total in two years.

THE RECEIPTS in the foregoing table are composed of the following funds, to-wit:

First Year.	Revenue fund.....	\$878,792 66		
	Add proceeds of sale of State Bonds issued by virtue of "An act to provide means to pay the State Bonds falling due in the year 1853," approved February 24th, 1853.....	208,875 68	\$587,668 29	
	Road and Canal fund.....		89,405 84	
	Seminary fund.....		1,117 97	
	Saline fund.....		1,784 01	
	Internal Improvement fund.....		28,633 16	
	Sinking fund.....		768 54	
	State School moneys.....		70,519 83	
	Executor's and Administrator's.....		2,064 22	
	Redemption of Lands.....		2,075 24	
				\$733,975 70
Second Year.	Revenue fund.....	429,872 84		
	Road and Canal fund.....	8,457 63		
	Seminary fund.....	724 36		
	Saline fund.....	3,350 00		
	Building the Capitol.....	42 20		
	Internal Improvement fund.....	26,748 79		
	Sinking fund.....	1,066 54		
	State School moneys.....	97,868 56		
	Executor's and Administrator's.....	1,170 89		
	Act to enclose the Capitol.....	17 79		
	Redemption of Lands.....	986 87		570,250 47
	Add balance in the Treasury Oct. 1, 1852.			1,804,226 17
	Revenue fund.....	361,807 29		
	Deduct wolfscalps certificates burnt in 1850.....	4,790 00	857,017 29	
	Road and Canal fund.....		917 12	
	Seminary fund.....		50 00	
	Saline fund.....		5,835 31	
	Building the Capitol.....		509 45	
	Internal Improvement fund.....		29,594 67	
	Sinking fund.....		4,517 00	
	State School moneys.....		88,834 99	
	Improvement of Main street.....		1 07	
	Fund for the payment of volunteers and militia.....		2 49	
	Act for the payment of certain troops.....		862 12	
	Executor's and Administrator's.....		9,676 08	
	Act to enclose the Capitol.....		82 15	
	Military fund.....		102 04	
	State Lunatic Asylum fund.....		596 19	
	State Tobacco Warehouse fees.....		5,807 31	
	State Tobacco Warehouse bonds, (premium).....		86 25	453,891 53
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WARRANTS drawn on the Treasury for the two years ending 30th September, 1854.

Year.	Month.	Amount of each month.	Amount of each quarter.	Amount of each year.			
1852	October.....	\$30,429 39	\$80,890 98				
	November.....	28,110 12					
	December.....	21,851 47					
1853	January.....	76,326 05	233,220 01	\$772,177 56	First year.		
	February.....	44,492 87					
	March.....	112,401 09					
	April.....	86,178 79	101,811 95				
	May.....	48,606 64					
	June.....	16,526 62					
	July.....	51,378 12	857,254 62				
	August.....	19,198 34					
	September.....	286,678 16					
	October.....	81,914 56	72,344 18				
	November.....	19,843 92					
	December.....	20,585 65					
1854	January.....	50,466 38	202,017 06	454,824 72	Second year.		
	February.....	11,696 24					
	March.....	139,854 44					
	April.....	78,016 06	182,699 10				
	May.....	33,611 08					
	June.....	21,071 99					
	July.....	32,436 16	47,764 43				
	August.....	4,591 84					
	September.....	10,786 43					
			1,227,002 28	Total two years.			

THE WARRANTS set forth in the foregoing table were drawn on the following funds, to-wit:

Revenue fund, first year.....	\$380,531 42		
Add amount State Bonds redeemed under an act to provide means to pay the State Bonds falling due in the year 1853, approved February 24th, 1853.....	255,000 00	635,531 42	
		247,952 82	888,483 74
Revenue fund, second year.....			89,377 63
Road and Canal fund.....			1,117 07
Seminary fund.....			68,279 63
Internal Improvement fund.....			229,974 29
State School moneys.....			1,280 74
Executors and Administrators.....			596 19
State Lunatic Asylum fund.....			2,892 99
Redemption of Lands.....			
			1,227,002 28

REVENUE WARRANTS were drawn as follows from the several funds and appropriations, to-wit:

	Amount ap- propriated.	Amount ex- pended.	Amount an- expended.
Civil Officers,	\$107,185 35	\$89,031 02	\$18,154 33
County Revenue,	9,849 85	2,706 27	7,143 10
General Assembly,	79,027 75	55,994 80	23,032 95
General Contingent Fund,	11,868 09	18,023 07	.....
Assessing and collecting the Revenue,	47,749 14	34,738 68	13,015 46
Printing Laws and Journals,	14,886 03	8,738 01	5,647 02
Distributing Laws and Journals,	1,598 81	1,575 00	18 61
Copying Laws and Journals,	2,570 90	1,855 27	715 63
Publishing Decisions of Supreme Court,	3,184 48	1,298 90	1,885 52
Militia Officers,	545 48	452 20	93 19
Costs in Criminal cases,	59,645 00	51,750 67	7,894 33
Principal of State Bonds,	255,000 00	255,000 00	.....
Interest on State Bonds,	128,831 39	98,731 48	30,099 91
Contingent Expenses of General Assembly,	11,692 57	12,218 21	.....
" " " Elections,	2,160 29	69 30	2,090 99
" " " Auditor of Public Accounts,	821 85	794 40	26 95
" " " State Treasurer,	333 86	333 86	.....
" " " Attorney General,	355 55	245 80	109 75
" " " Governor and Sec'y of State,	2,118 19	2,112 52	67
" " " Militia,	599 73	86 45	503 28
" " " Fitting up, &c., of Governor's House,	250 00	250 00	.....
" " " Register of Lands,	1,570 67	1,564 02	6 65
Taking the Census,	6,970 32	6,970 32	.....
		689,479 88	

SPECIAL ACTS.

Revenue Fund continued, am't general appropriat'n bill brot. forw'd,		\$689,479 88
Act appropriating money for the support of the State Lunatic Asy- lum, approved February 23, 1853,	30,000 00	
Act to appropriate money for the enlargement of the State Lunatic Asylum, approved February 23, 1853,	23,000 00	
Act to amend an act to establish an Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb, approved February 23, 1853,	7,702 89	
Act to amend an act to establish an Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb, approved February 23, 1853,	83,648 16	
Act to provide for building an Asylum for the Blind, approved February 24, 1853,	20,000 00	
Act to provide for the instruction of the Deaf, Dumb and Blind, ap- proved February 16, 1847,	160 00	
Act to provide for the education of the Blind, approved February 27, 1851,	6,000 00	
Act to provide for the reclamation, sale, &c., of swamp lands, ap- proved February 13, 1851,	28,500 00	
Joint resolution for repairing the roof of the Capitol, approved February 23, 1849,	8,756 88	
Joint resolution for making repairs in the Capitol, approved Sep- tember 20, 1852,	8,421 97	
Act for the repayment of taxes improperly paid, approved March 28, 1845,	59 03	
Act for the relief of Samuel Scott, of Vernon county, approved February 2, 1853,	494 81	
Act concerning the Treasurer's office, approved January 13, 1853, Act appropriating money for the support of government for 1853 and 1854, approved February 24, 1853,	3,042 00	
	1,591 10	

SPECIAL ACTS—Continued.

Act to erect a monument to the memory of Lewis F. Linn and David Barton, approved February 23, 1853,.....	1,000 00	
Act to appropriate money, &c., for the World's Fair, approved February 24, 1853,.....	1,336 85	
Act to finish the State Capitol, approved February 24, 1853,.....	19,848 23	
Act to appropriate money to furnish the Governor's house, approved February 24, 1853,.....	1,489 29	
Act to provide for a Geological and Mineralogical survey of the State, approved February 24, 1853,.....	15,413 61	
Act to provide for settling the claims of the acting Paymaster General and Adjutant General, approved February 22, 1853,.....	1,304 40	
Act to provide for the management of the Penitentiary, approved February 16, 1853,.....	25,000 00	
Act to incorporate the Missouri State Agricultural Society, approved February 24, 1853,.....	2,000 00	
Fitting up and keeping in repair the Governor's house,.....	8 15	
Act to appropriate money to improve the Des Moines river, approved March 10, 1849,.....	1,280 00	
Act for the relief of John M. Layton, approved December 23, 1852,.....	36 90	
Act for the relief of Lewis Holcomb, approved February 8, 1853,.....	18 37	
Act for the relief of Wm. A. Whitehead, approved January 28, 1853,.....	37 25	
Act for the relief of David C. Reed, approved January 28, 1853,.....	16 90	
Act to allow Miron Leslie additional compensation for defending the State against the Delisle claim, approved February 16, 1853,.....	1,500 00	
Act for the relief of Green B. Wade, approved February 22, 1853,.....	54 36	
Act for the relief of Richard B. Jackson, approved February 23, 1853,.....	100 00	
Act to pay the agent appointed to obtain information concerning the Penitentiary system, approved February 23, 1853,.....	1,050 00	
Act for the relief of Thos. Emerson, of Ralls county, approved February 24, 1853,.....	181 00	
Joint resolution for the relief of Jas. B. McHenry, approved February 24, 1853,.....	245 00	
Joint resolution in favor of E. B. Ewing, approved February 24, 1853,.....	75 00	
Act to provide for the education of the Deaf and Dumb, as per act for the relief of Delno Brown, approved March 1, 1851,.....	60 00	
Act authorizing the purchase and distribution of the Digest of the Supreme Court, approved February 24, 1853,.....	1,494 70	
Act for the relief of Samuel Tarwater, approved February 16, 1841,.....	200 00	
Act for the relief of Nicholas Stigel and F. Dunskei, approved February 23, 1853,.....	228 00	
Act for the relief of Bernard Murphy, approved February 23, 1853,.....	30 00	
Act for the benefit of Hamilton R. Gamble, approved February 23, 1853,.....	1,000 00	
Act for the relief of Thos. H. Lloyd, approved February 1, 1845,.....	200 00	
Act for the relief of Daniel P. Lewis, approved February 23, 1853,.....	6 00	
Act concerning taxes in Andrew county, approved February 24, 1853,.....	872 76	
Act authorizing the removal of Supreme Court records, approved February 23, 1853,.....	142 50	
Act to cancel State Bonds and settle with the Bank, approved February 23, 1851,.....	815 60	
Act for the relief of Jas. M. Moore, late collector of Lawrence county, approved February 8, 1853,.....	4 35	
Act to provide for defending suit for certain saline lands, approved February 22, 1853,.....	500 00	
Act to procure and distribute Gilpin's hydrographic maps, approved February 22, 1853,.....	45 80	
Act for the relief of Christopher Miller, approved February 24, 1853,.....	37 50	\$244,003 86
		\$883,483 74

AMOUNT of Revenue Fund brought forward, as follows :

Amount received first year.....	\$378,792 66		
Add proceeds sale of State Bonds.....	208,876 68	\$587,668 29	
Amount received second year.....		429,872 84	
		1,017,540 68	
Add balance in Treasury 1st October, 1852, deduct- ing wolf-scalp certificates burnt by the Committee in 1850.....		857,017 29	
		1,874,557 92	
Deduct deficit of A. McClellan, former Treasurer, (see acts for his relief, approved January 2, 1847, and February 17, 1849).....	8,118 77		
Deduct deficit of John Walker, former Treasurer, (see resolution relating to the acts of John Walk- er,) approved January 28, 1848.....	488 86		
Deduct warrants ordered by acts of the General Assembly, entitled, "Resolutions in favor of R. Kerr," approved January 31, 1845, and an act for the relief of Y. Ewing, approved March 18, 1846, to be paid by State Treasurer.....	12 65	3,569 84	
		1,870,988 06	
Deduct amount of warrants drawn on revenue fund including Special acts.....	888,488 74		
Deduct one fourth of one per centum appropriated by act of the General Assembly, approved Febru- ary 24, 1853.....	74,178 57		
Deduct amount of wolf scalp certificates burnt by Committee in 1852.....	3,818 56		
Deduct amount transferred to Redemption of Lands,	2,068 18	968,588 94	
		407,454 14	
Add amount State Tobacco Warehouse fees, consid- ered as revenue.....	5,807 81		
Add amount premium on State Tobacco Warehouse bonds, considered as revenue.....	86 26	5,848 66	418,297 70
ROAD AND CANAL FUND.			
Balance in Treasury October 1st, 1852.....		917 12	
Add receipts since.....		47,868 47	
		48,780 59	
Deduct amount warrants issued.....		39,877 68	9,402 98
SEMINARY FUND.			
Balance in Treasury October 1st, 1852.....		50 00	
Add receipts since.....		1,841 48	
		1,891 48	
Deduct amount warrants issued.....		1,117 07	774 80
SALINE FUND.			
Balance in Treasury 1st October, 1852.....		5,885 81	
Add receipts since.....		5,084 01	10,919 32
BUILDING THE CAPITOL.			
Balance in Treasury 1st October, 1852.....		509 45	
Add receipts since.....		42 20	551 65

An act amendatory of an act to authorize the formation of Associations to construct Plank Roads and McAdamized Roads, approved February 27th, 1851 ;

An act to incorporate Friendship Lodge, No. 89, of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons ;

An act to revive and amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Savannah and St. Joseph Railroad Company ;

An act to incorporate the Bloomfield Academy ;

An act to authorize the county court of Taney county to borrow money ;

An act granting certain powers to the county court of Callaway county ;

An act to incorporate the Clay County Agricultural and Mechanical Association ;

An act authorizing the guardian of Mary Ann Seppy to convey land ;

An act to incorporate the St. Joseph City Company ;

An act to authorize Helene Müller, of St. Charles county, to sell certain real estate ;

An act for the relief of David Mitchell ;

An act to authorize the erection of a toll bridge in Jefferson county, across Big River ;

An act in relation to the heirs of Robert Adkins, deceased.

I am, very respectfully,

STERLING PRICE.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
City of Jefferson, March 5, 1855. }

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives :

GENTLEMEN : I have this day approved and signed bills of the following titles :

An act to incorporate the Canton Seminary ;

An act to establish a State road from Fulton to Portland, in Callaway county ;

An act for the relief of Littleton H. Conklin, late Sheriff of Schuyler county ;

An act to provide for the reduction of the city debt of the city of St. Louis ;

An act giving certain powers to the circuit court of St. Louis county ;

An act to incorporate the Western and Clinton County Railroad ;

An act creating the office of Assistant Circuit Attorney in St. Louis county ;

An act to incorporate the Minerva Female Academy of Hannibal, Mo. ;

An act providing for a division of township school funds belonging to township 36, N., range 6, East ;

A resolution in relation to printing the Journals ;

An act to incorporate the Parkville and Ridgeley Railroad Company ;

An act providing for the sale of real estate of John Davis, dec'd, late of Osage county ;

An act enabling the United States Express Company to bring actions and suits at law, in this State, in the name of the directors of said Company ;

- An act concerning clerks' and sheriffs' fees ;
- An act to establish a State road in Atchison county ;
- An act to amend the city charter of the city of St. Louis ;
- An act to establish a State road from the Benton county line to Warrensburg, in Johnson county ;
- An act authorizing Lucinda Seals, Executrix of Coleman Seals, late of Osage county, to sell certain real estate ;
- An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Callaway Mining and Manufacturing Company, approved February 16, 1847 ;
- An act relating to the Collector of dram-shop license in the county of St. Louis ;
- An act to incorporate the Young Men's Saving Institution in Boonville ;
- An act in relation to Public Parks and Squares in St. Louis county ;
- An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Mississippi Valley Railroad North, approved February 23d, 1853 ;
- An act to declare a certain County road a State road ;
- An act establishing limited partnerships ;
- An act to authorize Margaret Scott to keep a ferry across the Missouri river, in Atchison county ;
- An act to declare certain County roads a State road ;
- An act to amend an act entitled, " an act for the management of the Penitentiary," approved February 16, 1853 ;
- An act to prohibit the sale of spiritous liquor in the township of Central, in the county of Jefferson ;
- An act to authorize the county court of St. Charles county to increase the width of County roads ;
- An act relating to the township of Middle Grove, in Monroe county ;
- An act to change the time of holding the circuit courts in the counties of Lewis and Clark ;
- An act to incorporate the Laclede Hotel Company of the city of St. Louis ;
- An act to authorize the sale of certain lands in the county of Callaway ;
- An act supplemental to an act entitled, an act to amend an act to incorporate the Mammoth Mining Company, approved January 29, 1855 ;
- An act to amend " an act to regulate elections," approved March 28, 1845 ;
- An act to amend an act entitled, an act regulating clerks, approved March 27th, 1845 ;
- An act to authorize Jesse Benton, of Crawford county, to convey certain real estate.

Very respectfully,
STERLING PRICE.

On motion of Cunningham,
Messrs. Darnes, McFarland and Todd were added to the Committee to visit the State University at Columbia.

Mr. Britton offered the following concurrent resolution, which was read a first and second time and adopted :

Resolved, By the House, the Senate concurring, that a Joint Committee be appointed to wait on the Governor, and inform him that the two Houses have completed their business, and are now ready to adjourn until the 1st Monday in November next.

A TABULAR STATEMENT of the amount of State credit loaned to the several Railroad Companies; the amount of State Bonds issued to each, and the balance of State credit due each 1st October, 1854.

NAME OF COMPANY.	Amn't Loaned	Amount State Bonds issued.	Amount State Bonds due.
Pacific Railroad Company.....	\$3,000,000 00	\$1,800,000 00	\$1,200,000 00
Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad Company...	1,500,000 00	150,000 00	1,350,000 00
North Missouri Railroad Company	2,000,000 00	50,000 00	1,950,000 00
St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad Co.....	750,000 00	50,000 00	700,000 00
South-west Branch of the Pacific R. R. Co.....	1,000,000 00		1,000,000 00

AGGREGATE ABSTRACT

COUNTIES.	Merchants' license.	Drumshop license.	Grocer's license.	Auction license.	Advalorem tax.	Pedlers' license.	Clock Pedlers' license.
Adair.....	22 24					8 00	
Andrew.....	121 29	45 25					
Atchison.....	33 19						
Audrain.....	38 60						
Barry.....							
Bates.....	12 17	81 94	7 50		29 25	18 33	
Benton.....	115 70	33 80		10 00	21 60	20 00	
Bollinger.....	30 80					13 00	
Boone.....	458 14	170 76		10 00		71 00	
Buchanan.....	531 33	199 03		110 00	44 80	6 00	
Butler.....							
Caldwell.....	50 90	45 00			29 30		
Callaway.....		30 00			71 00	23 00	
Camden.....							
Cape Girardeau.....	20 00	140 00			44 54		
Carroll.....	78 50	45 00				71 00	
Cass.....					47 48		
Cedar.....	69 74	120 00			71 81		5 00
Chariton.....	337 93	45 18	5 40			43 00	
Clark.....							
Clay.....	53 06	101 40				21 66	
Clinton.....	105 84					10 00	2 50
Cole.....	38 90	16 00					
Cooper.....	540 84				48 66		
Crawford.....							
Dade.....	38 97				64 93	6 00	5 00
Dallas.....	72 26		80 80				
Daviess.....	34 94	30 00				15 00	
Dent.....							
DeKalb.....	66 27	30 00					
Dunklin.....							
Franklin.....	287 06	85 65			20 77	44 00	
Gasconade.....	25 68					8 00	
Gentry.....	85 58	153 21			67	59 00	5 00
Greene.....							
Grundy.....	26 53	4 50	70				
Harrison.....							
Henry.....							
Hickory.....					15 75		
Holt.....	90 74	65 98	2 20		3 20	12 00	
Howard.....	249 52	220 48		31 00		3 00	5 00
Jackson.....	1817 83	317 81		17 82		9 00	
Jasper.....	5 14	34 61					5 00
Jefferson.....	45 00	45 00			29 15		
Johnson.....	47 82					23 00	5 00
Knox.....	21 60				38 46		
Laclede.....		15 30					
Lafayette.....	388 88	50 00		43 92		56 00	5 00
Lawrence.....	86 88	90 00		20 00	20 72	23 00	
Lewis.....	204 45	48 61					
Lincoln.....	137 69	188 18			8 25	3 00	
Linn.....	59 60	74 40				36 00	
Livingston.....	74 78	71 75				10 01	5 00
McDonald.....	38 93						
Macon.....							
Madison.....	40 30	30 00				4 00	
Marion.....	682 74						
Mercer.....	29 16	33 92					
Miller.....	44 32	16 67			43 95		

OF LICENSES FOR 1853.

Pull Venders' license.	Inn and Tavern license.	Ferry license.	Billiard license.	Money Brokers' license.	Foreign Agency license.	Amount stated generally.	Total for 1853.
.....	.....	8 00	.....	.....	.....	26 28	54 47
.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	176 54
.....	.....	7 00	.....	.....	.....	7 00	47 19
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	59 98	98 53
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	78 38	78 88
.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	161 19
.....	82 50	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	296 10
.....	40 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 30	54 60
.....	170 00	3 25	83 35	200 00	8 90	.....	749 90
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	56 30	1801 64
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	56 80
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	125 20
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	161 20	285 20
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	375 87	875 87
.....	20 00	.....	33 00	.....	.....	589 91	847 45
.....	30 00	7 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	226 70
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	257 27	804 75
.....	43 35	11 61	.....	.....	.....	.....	266 05
.....	.....	4 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	486 42
.....	40 00	2 50	66 66	.....	.....	86 00	180 62
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	216 00	118 84
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	190 87	200 06
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	805 50
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	190 87
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	114 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	78 06
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	49 48	129 42
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	46 61	46 01
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	146 27
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 52	4 52
.....	105 83	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	498 81
.....	20 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	49 68
.....	20 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	328 46
.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60 60	31 78
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	94 14	50 60
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	88 71	94 14
.....	44 65	2 15	.....	.....	.....	.....	99 46
.....	80 00	.....	.....	200 00	.....	.....	220 92
.....	804 00	25 00	138 82	.....	8 16	.....	789 00
.....	20 00	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2127 44
.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	44 75
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	148 15
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	45 98	85 52
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21 48	105 99
.....	150 00	7 50	.....	600 00	45 79	.....	86 73
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1346 59
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	240 10
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	258 06
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 88	337 45
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	170 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	161 54
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	88 98
.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	281 46	74 30
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	914 20
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	68 08
.....	.....	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	107 94

AGGREGATE ABSTRACT

COUNTIES.	Merchants' license.	Dramshop license.	Grocer's license.	Auction license.	Advalorem tax.	Pedler's license.	Clock Pedlers' license.
Mississippi	\$77 84	\$15 50	\$8 64	.....	.....	\$19 00	.....
Moniteau	98 80	80 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Monroe	142 82	15 00	.....	.....	\$ 11	18 00	.....
Montgomery	140 52	62 66	.....	.....	.....	16 00	.....
Morgan	95 15	75 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Madrid .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Newton .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Nodaway .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oregon .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Osage	67 90	.....	80 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ozark .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pemiscot	8 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Perry	13 82	.....	.....	.....	92 55	.....	.....
Pettis	1 00	80 00	1 00	.....	.....	29 00	5 00
Pike	205 44	299 73	.....	.....	.....	48 00	.....
Platte	426 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Polk	133 49	77 70	.....	.....	66	3 00	5 00
Pulaski .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Putnam .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 70	.....	.....
Ralls .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Randolph .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ray	68 56	218 82	.....	.....	72 86	53 00	.....
Reynolds	14 40	30 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ripley .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Charles .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Clair	71 03	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Francois	17 00	15 00	.....	.....	69 17	1 50	.....
Sta. Genevieve	86 65	60 00	.....	.....	88 60	.....	.....
St. Louis	34898 04	16012 00	.....	\$1175 00	423 19	81 00	.....
Saline	156 23	60 00	.....	10 00	5 86	36 60	.....
Schuyler .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Scotland	6 97	.....	.....	.....	1 40	.....	.....
Scott	87 56	19 55	2 75	.....	.....	8 00	.....
Shannon	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shelby .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stoddard	87 70	7 50	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stone .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sullivan	30 00	.....	.....	.....	17 73	19 00	.....
Taney .....	.....	60 00	.....	.....	24 00	.....	.....
Texas	20 73	75 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Warren .....	.....	80 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Washington .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wayne	28 94	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wright	64 09	60 00	2 50	.....	.....	28 00	.....
	43790 07	19981 79	70 49	14227 74	1456 12	961 10	52 50

OF LICENSES FOR 1853—Continued.

Full Vendors' license.	Inn and Tavern license.	Ferry license.	Billiard license.	Money Brokers' license.	Foreign Agency license.	Amount stated generally.	Total for 1853.
	\$45 00	\$27 00					\$192 98
		1 90					125 20
						\$59 75	235 68
	10 00						229 18
							170 16
						187 41	187 41
						20 90	20 90
							97 90
						19 14	19 14
						16 90	25 65
	20 00					78 58	204 96
							66 00
		4 00					557 17
						679 68	1106 98
							219 85
						20 16	20 16
						20 00	21 70
						129 61	129 61
						251 20	251 20
		7 77					485 01
							46 40
						2 00	78 08
						59 46	162 13
							235 25
	150 90	96 00	\$1266 54	\$2575 00	\$2700 00		59381 77
	94 16						362 85
						57 61	57 61
	20 00						8 37
							82 86
							1 00
						92 61	92 61
							97 20
						48 50	110 28
\$6 00							90 00
							96 78
							80 00
						421 76	421 76
		2 00					85 94
							154 59
6 00	1489 49	240 38	1582 85	8575 00	2752 85	4899 79	\$82236 17

AGGREGATE ABSTRACT

COUNTIES.	Merchants' license.	Dramshop license.	Grocers' license.	Auction license.	Advalorem tax.	Pedlars' license.	Clock pedlars' license.
Adeir							
Andrew	327 12	45 20				6 00	5 00
Atch. on	61 54	20 05					
Audran	42 20					20 00	
Barry							
Bates	4 17	25 66			33	13 33	
Benton	186 65						
Bollinger	62 06	23 75					5 00
Boone	361 49	150 00			5 60	99 00	10 00
Buchanan	627 09	333 67		159 77	3 59		5 00
Butler	4 20	60 00					
Caldwell	78 03	79 65					
Callaway	2 00	31 66				23 00	
Camden	09	30 00					5 00
Cape Girardeau	237 56	470 00		37 50			
Carroll	153 60	91 56			90	20 00	
Cass	109 86	90 00				20 00	
Cedar	47 17	15 00					
Chariton	698 93	127 72	6 00			30 00	
Clark	175 36	60 00			1 45		
Clay	108 60	15 40				13 33	
Clinton	130 44					8 00	
Cole	60 23	15 00	1 00		98		
Cooper	955 73	251 50				51 00	
Crawford							
Dade	91 62	6 96		10 00		30 00	5 00
Dallas	71 44	45 00					5 00
Davies	88 61						
De Kalb	25 18	17 50					7 50
Dent							
Dunklin							
Franklin	147 60	191 66				12 00	
Gasconade	20 00	60 00					
Gentry	54 06	45 00		10 00	59	30 00	
Greene							
Grundy	141 40	52 16				13 33	5 00
Harrison							
Henry	100 00	30 00					
Hickory	20 27	17 12			11 04		
Holt	123 47	19 75	2 40			10 00	5 00
Howard	610 90	219 35			1 90	13 00	
Jackson	1021 14	310 89					
Jasper	150 66	32 59	1 10	20 00		10 00	5 00
Jefferson	7 56	60 00			1 40	5 00	
Johnson	209 15					10 00	5 00
Knox							
Laclede	72 24	30 37				3 00	10 00
Lafayette	530 60					19 00	
Lawrence	100 37	30 00			35		
Lewis	491 13	18 56					
Lincoln	330 52	120 00			4 68	27 50	
Linn	69 80	45 00					
Livingston	71 14	9 27					
McDonald							
Macon	160 74	70 30	4 08			23 44	14 00
Madison	178 50	60 00				3 00	10 00
Marion	807 74	50 00			1 00	33 00	
Mercer	46 76		60				
Miller	36 75	30 00			32		5 00
Mississippi	39 94		1 00				
Moniteau	31 20	45 00					

OF LICENSES FOR 1854.

Poll venders' license.	Inn and Tavern license.	Ferry license.	Billiard license.	Money Brokers' license.	Foreign Agency license.	Amount stated generally.	Total for 1854.	Grand total for 1853 & 1854.
.....	80 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	20 78	20 78	75 25
.....	30 00	2 33	.....	.....	.....	.....	465 32	641 88
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36 18	150 45	197 64
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	37 44	99 64	193 17
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	73 38
.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	45 49	196 68
.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	189 65	425 75
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80 81	135 41
.....	60 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	686 09	1435 99
.....	131 50	4 25	66 66	150 00	1 48	.....	1483 01	2784 65
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	64 20	120 50
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	157 68	282 88
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16 74	73 40	358 60
.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	37 09	412 96
.....	60 00	26 00	33 00	.....	.....	.....	864 06	1711 51
.....	30 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	297 06	523 76
.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	239 86	544 61
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	62 17	328 22
.....	81 92	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	954 58	1441 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	236 81	236 81
.....	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	167 33	347 96
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	133 44	251 78
.....	180 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	260 21	460 27
.....	42 50	6 00	.....	75 00	.....	.....	1381 73	2187 23
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	138 37	138 37	329 24
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	143 58	258 48
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	121 44	194 50
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	88 61	218 03
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 18	196 45
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26 42	26 42	73 03
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	65 56	65 56	70 08
.....	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	381 26	874 57
.....	140 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	221 00	270 68
.....	20 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	161 65	490 11
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	559 69	559 69	559 69
1 35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	213 24	244 97
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	68 03	68 03	118 63
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	248 83	378 83	472 97
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	48 43	147 89
.....	20 30	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	184 92	406 85
.....	60 00	.....	.....	125 00	.....	.....	1030 15	1819 14
.....	138 00	7 00	33 33	.....	.....	.....	1510 36	3637 80
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	219 35	264 10
.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	93 96	237 11
.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	244 15	329 97
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	106 99
.....	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 17	135 78	172 51
.....	100 00	7 50	.....	600 00	33 35	.....	1290 45	2637 04
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	130 72	370 82
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	509 69	762 75
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	482 70	820 15
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	114 80	284 80
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80 41	241 95
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	38 93
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	183 49	456 05	456 05
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	251 50	325 80
.....	44 00	40 00	33 33	125 00	.....	.....	1134 07	2048 27
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	37 00	84 36	147 44
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	72 07	180 01
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	42 94	235 92
.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	76 20	201 40

AGGREGATE ABSTRACT

COUNTIES.	Merchants' license.	Dramshop license.	Grocers' license.	Auction license.	Advalorem tax	Pedlers' license.	Clock Pedlers' license.
Monroe.....	243 22	.....	.....	.....	.....	39 00	.....
Montgomery.....	1 00	30 00	.....	.....	1 94	12 00	5 00
Morgan.....	190 29	60 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Madrid.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Newton.....	105 26	96 44	47 32	.....	1 52	6 00	5 00
Nodaway.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oregon.....	19 35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Osage.....	6 30	40 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Ozark.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pemiscot.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Perry.....	12 20	.....	.....	.....	10 76	5 00	.....
Pettis.....	66 34	60 00	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....
Pike.....	568 17	297 85	.....	.....	.....	19 00	.....
Platte.....	213 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Polk.....	122 32	154 68	.....	.....	80	20 00	5 00
Pulaski.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Putnam.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ralls.....	82 72	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	.....
Randolph.....	156 60	96 88	.....	.....	.....	56 00	5 00
Ray.....	842 46	119 97	.....	.....	6 90	59 00	.....
Reynolds.....	1 48	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ripley.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Charles.....	78 11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Clair.....	10 06	80 00	.....	.....	.....	20 00	5 00
St. Francois.....	254 92	79 20	.....	.....	.....	10 00	5 00
Ste. Genevieve.....	45 08	90 00	.....	.....	29 60	.....	.....
St. Louis.....	89869 08	19848 00	.....	1262 42	802 66	63 00	.....
Saline.....	375 29	60 00	.....	10 00	.....	88 00	.....
Schuyler.....	63 65	.....	4 09	.....	.....	.....	.....
Scotland.....	68 79	1 10	1 06	.....	85	.....	.....
Scott.....	15 89	27 80	.....	.....	.....	28 00	.....
Shannon.....	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shelby.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stoddard.....	89 16	82 52	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stone.....	18 54	88 75	41	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sullivan.....	26 55	76 75	.....	.....	1 84	10 00	.....
Taney.....	45 85	99 18	.....	.....	.....	8 00	5 00
Texas.....	22 24	75 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00
Warren.....	.....	45 00	.....	.....	1 65	.....	.....
Washington.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wayne.....	85 87	89 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Wright.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 00	.....
	52925 24	24598 88	70 06	1509 69	391 65	1009 93	161 50

OF LICENSES FOR 1854.

Pill Venders' license.	Inn and Tavern license.	Ferry license.	Billiard license.	Money Brokers' license.	Foreign Agency license.	Amount stated generally.	Total for 1854.	Grand total for 1853 and 1854.
.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$282 22	\$517 90
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	69 84	299 12
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	250 29	420 44
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	187 41
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	261 54	261 54
.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	58 35	58 35	79 25
.....	.....	12 50	.....	.....	.....	39 35	39 35	39 35
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	63 80	63 80	161 70
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27 40	27 40	46 54
.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 65
.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	50 74	98 70	303 65
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	49 30	85 64	251 64
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	890 02	1447 19
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	571 02	784 12	1890 10
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	302 80	522 65
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28 23	8 23	48 39
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	74 43	74 43	96 13
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	102 72	232 33
.....	40 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	313 88	565 08
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	578 33	1013 34
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 43	47 83
.....	160 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	110 00	110 00	110 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	233 11	233 11
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	65 05	138 06
.....	.....	.....	33 33	.....	.....	.....	382 45	544 58
.....	62 50	.....	66 00	.....	.....	.....	293 18	528 43
.....	60 00	82 00	1033 23	2575 00	3100 00	.....	67190 39	126572 16
.....	30 00	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	562 29	925 14
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	67 74	125 35
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	71 30	79 67
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	70 69	153 55
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 00	7 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	163 20	1 3 20	255 81
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	172 68	269 88
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	57 70	57 70
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	114 64	224 87
2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	155 03	245 03
.....	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	107 24	202 97
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	76 65	156 65
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	355 22	355 22	776 98
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	79 87	115 81
.....	18 00	24 00	178 59
8 35	1792 72	239 58	1298 88	3650 00	3184 88	2952 54	98783 85	175969 52

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Of the amount of Revenue chargeable to each county in the State of Missouri of taxation, together with the tax due on the same, so far as

1853.

COUNTIES.	Polls.	Taxes.	LANDS.	Valuation.	Taxes.	Town Lots.
			Acres, 100ths.			
Adair.....	514	\$192 75	25,809 77	\$67,205 00	\$134 41	
Andrew.....	1,422	538 25	128,909 22	739,551 00	1,479 10	307
Atchison.....	398	147 37		85,124 00	170 24	
Andrain.....	598	224 25	91,566 38	274,699 00	549 39	106
Barry.....	755	238 62	10,804 00	71,560 00	143 12	23
Bates.....	500	217 50	29,687 41	74,148 00	148 28	27
Benton.....	818	306 76		170,848 00	340 69	
Bollinger.....	586	219 75	87,815 34	82,700 00	165 40	
Boone.....	1,904	723 52	352,619 94	1,144,975 00	2,289 95	1,342
Buchanan.....	2,218	831 75	129,286 04	1,040,354 00	2,080 70	
Butler.....	247	92 63	3,119 00	8,850 00	17 70	
Caldwell.....	392	147 00	70,276 00	233,068 00	466 18	
Callaway.....	1,400	525 00	273,722 00	687,630 00	1,375 26	502
Camden.....	461	172 87	13,544 00	56,299 00	112 59	37
Cape Girardeau.....	1,525	573 87	188,425 57	511,990 00	1,023 98	
Carroll.....	992	376 96	242,106 66	469,860 00	939 72	633
Cass.....	1,114	417 75	122,887 00	537,855 00	1,075 71	
Cedar.....	558	209 25	30,554 00	103,442 00	206 89	
Chariton.....	1,060	397 50	350,991 60	918,780 00	1,837 56	1,781
Clark.....	1,126	422 25	254,536 00	749,465 00	1,498 93	
Clay.....	1,441	540 00	228,988 08	1,428,315 00	2,856 63	412
Clinton.....	682	255 75	104,904 80	436,422 00	872 84	224
Cole.....	1,008	376 12	138,451 81	402,770 00	780 54	1,075
Cooper.....	1,707	640 12		1,083,646 00	2,167 29	
Crawford.....	898	336 75		226,670 00	453 34	
Dade.....	677	253 87	42,085 50	105,542 00	211 08	186
Dallas.....	657	256 87	82,191 00	67,668 00	135 33	33
Daviess.....	847	317 62	205,200 00	437,665 00	875 33	330
Dent.....	850	131 25	9,758 00	40,710 00	81 42	
De Kalb.....	401	172 87	47,755 87	200,595 00	401 19	123
Dunklin.....	218	81 75	1,329 42	2,808 00	5 61	
Franklin.....	1,723	645 12	271,052 83	1,110,000 00	2,220 00	306
Gasconade.....	917	347 25	79,592 00	196,418 00	392 83	1,336
Gentry.....	738	276 75	28,281 57	97,817 00	194 63	
Greene.....	2,022	758 25	141,049 00	511,054 00	1,022 10	140
Grundy.....	60	227 25	78,480 00	115,112 00	230 22	
Harrison.....	502	187 25		75,424 00	150 87	53
Henry.....	634	238 75		318,116 00	626 22	
Hickory.....	418	156 75	25,677 00	58,878 00	117 76	
Holt.....	769	288 37	29,530 05	147,200 00	294 40	
Howard.....	1,458	546 75	253,578 00	1,570,124 00	3,140 24	1,041
Jackson.....	2,020	757 50	234,768 00	1,286,080 00	2,572 16	
Jasper.....	743	278 62	38,769 48	98,585 22	197 17	137
Jefferson.....	1,238	480 00	191,946 00	800,712 00	1,601 42	223
Johnson.....	1,222	458 25	179,671 00	490,380 00	980 76	181
Knox.....	523	196 12	138,020 00	346,708 00	693 40	263
Laclede.....	559	209 62	13,059 74	47,208 00	94 41	
Lafayette.....	1,675	628 12	297,768 15	2,719,035 00	5,438 07	1,833
Lawrence.....	902	338 25	56,107 00	144,270 20	288 74	
Lewis.....	1,128	423 00	255,447 00	674,330 00	1,348 66	1,989
Lincoln.....	1,482	555 75	281,228 61	565,692 00	1,131 78	486
Linn.....	646	240 00	169,938 80	342,213 00	684 42	145
Livingston.....	679	254 63	117,920 00	303,172 00	606 34	1,325

STATEMENT

ouri, for the years 1853 and 1854, showing the aggregate amount of each reported to this Office.

1853.

Valuation.	Taxes.	Numb'r of Slaves.	Taxes.	Tax on Notes and Bonds.	Value of Personal Pro- perty.	Taxes.	Total amount 1853.
\$14,695 00	\$29 39	49	\$36 79	\$57 04	\$62,275 00	\$124 55	\$574 93
107,983 00	215 96	699	444 56	389 08	219,019 00	438 08	3,499 93
		34	32 70	59 71	77,498 00	154 98	565 00
4,084 00	8 17	495	312 08	124 08	154,545 00	309 89	1,527 81
4,385 00	8 77	189	178 60	25 31	104,703 00	209 40	798 82
2,205 00	4 41	164	118 55	110 48	184,021 00	268 04	867 25
		412	249 32	56 20	185,525 00	271 05	1,224 01
770 00	1 54	172	109 26		68,625 00	137 25	633 20
143,885 00	287 77	3,803	1,933 04	692 48	333,194 00	666 39	6,593 15
594,631 00	1,189 26	1,064	823 15	302 07	330,889 00	661 77	5,888 70
861 00	1 72	83	23 20		40,684 00	81 36	216 61
7,070 00	14 14	151	137 00	81 05	90,120 00	180 24	1,025 57
51,735 00	103 47	3,302	1,376 65	514 53	252,880 00	505 76	4,400 67
141 00	29	109	80 65	33 95	76,788 00	153 58	553 92
169,325 00	338 55	1,310	707 60		202,610 00	405 22	3,048 82
50,225 00	100 47	678	454 60	58 34	155,070 00	310 14	2,240 23
		523	371 10	291 02	194,888 00	389 77	2,545 35
5,197 00	10 89	126	118 60	88 54	124,642 00	249 28	877 95
125,395 00	250 79	1,634	1,402 40	278 53	194,380 00	388 76	4,555 53
88,425 00	176 85	453	281 69	56 90	178,162 00	356 82	2,795 27
138,255 00	276 71	2,872	2,077 93	631 23	295,510 00	591 07	6,973 57
29,440 00	58 88	520	383 90	209 17	187,431 00	274 86	2,055 40
179,151 00	345 30	804	115 01	470 85	135,409 00	255 81	2,343 63
220,173 00	440 34		1,629 89	561 00	331,365 00	662 73	6,141 41
8,676 00	17 35	190	132 55	56 32	144,749 00	289 49	1,285 81
11,736 00	23 47	268	174 30	99 86	120,598 00	241 19	1,003 79
8,271 00	16 54	82	58 00	54 80	122,530 00	245 06	766 11
28,190 00	56 38	286	192 30	198 62	154,215 00	308 43	1,948 68
		113	73 80	40 02	59,050 00	118 10	444 59
6,835 00	13 67	73	53 10	36 38	70,495 00	140 99	818 20
		26	17 70	4 88	24,192 00	48 38	158 33
70,000 00	140 00	1,253	850 00	170 31	262,750 00	525 50	4,550 93
93,753 00	187 50	89	47 50	30 36	81,600 00	163 20	1,168 64
18,408 00	36 81	59	46 00	47 35	101,114 00	202 22	803 78
44,090 00	89 36	1,363	873 74	343 20	398,941 00	797 88	3,884 47
21,165 00	42 33	172	108 08	104 80	84,176 00	168 35	881 05
8,115 00	6 23	9	5 80	24 65	63,974 00	127 94	502 74
		683	537 00	136 34	236,422 00	472 84	2,021 17
			122 82	66 83	78,434 00	156 86	621 02
		157	100 77	121 64	139,704 00	279 40	1,084 59
194,426 00	388 85	4,540	3,318 95	1,234 12	377,732 00	755 46	9,395 07
490,844 00	981 68	2,918	1,920 59	717 58	398,536 00	797 07	7,746 88
10,550 87	21 10	218	164 10	99 53	159,016 75	318 03	1,078 56
8,000 00	16 00	411	326 30	126 21	188,202 00	376 40	2,926 33
20,300 00	40 66	1,080	712 09	344 60	227,260 00	454 52	2,990 82
19,702 00	39 40	218	122 34	68 35	89,586 00	179 17	1,298 78
4,357 00	8 71	158	94 00	47 19	91,172 00	182 34	626 29
581,085 00	1,162 17	4,650	3,797 62	1,666 63	455,160 00	910 32	13,602 93
11,170 00	22 89	280	176 38	61 37	163,180 00	326 36	1,213 45
141,210 00	289 42	1,154	561 81	129 63	165,755 00	331 51	3,077 03
27,735 00	55 47	2,018	988 70	166 15	156,736 00	313 27	3,236 22
19,270 00	38 51	391	250 05	40 73	97,882 00	195 76	1,449 50
35,332 00	70 66	337	254 79	189 61	121,010 00	242 02	1,618 04

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1853.

COUNTIES.	Polls.	Taxes.	LAND.	Valuation.	Taxes.	Town Lots.
			Acres 100ths.			
McDonald,	398	47 37	8,418 72	\$17,098 60	84 19	
Macon,	1,095	410 62	133,495 00	359,006 00	718 01	120
Madison,	835	318 12	152,178 97	386,785 00	778 57	126
Marion,	1,797	678 87	265,550 00	1,567,100 00	3,134 20	
Mercer,	512	192 00	31,680 00	62,340 00	124 68	220
Miller,	652	244 50	42,730 00	113,220 00	226 44	
Mississippi,	611	282 18	112,745 00	375,088 00	750 18	
Moniteau,	947	355 12	131,480 00	293,940 00	587 88	130
Monroe,	1,465	549 37	328,309 55	934,795 00	1,869 59	547
Montgomery,	903	338 62	137,293 03	234,686 00	569 37	152
Morgan,	814	305 25	96,789 15	267,335 00	534 67	
N. Madrid,	606	225 84		445,070 00	890 14	
Newton,	830	311 25	87,093 00	110,828 00	221 65	130
Nodaway,	383	143 62	24,573 88	115,555 00	231 11	
Oregon,	331	124 12	20,240 00	7,020 00	14 04	32
Osage,	1,199	450 00	94,629 65	278,988 00	568 18	
Ozark,	425	159 37	lands & other pro	69,644 00	139 28	
Pemiscot,	241	90 39	12,168 43	24,596 00	49 19	
Perry,	1,063	389 62	153,712 00	298,750 00	587 50	141
Pettis,	736	270 00	125,855 75	326,219 00	652 43	111
Pike,	1,969	738 37	299,690 45	1,072,395 00	2,144 79	1,740
Platte,	2,500	937 50	lands & to'n l'ts	2,546,876 00	5,093 75	
Polk,	1,061	394 12	81,688 00	270,100 00	540 20	219
Pulaski,	658	246 75	12,763 00	99,545 00	199 09	31
Putnam,	401	150 75	4,295 25	13,160 00	26 83	
Ralls,	893	335 00	256,835 00	1,007,890 00	2,015 78	205
Randolph,	1,214	453 25	238,961 00	698,850 00	1,396 70	227
Ray,	1,518	569 25	219,196 00	1,104,360 00	2,208 72	299
Reynolds,	275	103 12	6,172 07	16,985 00	33 97	
Ripley,	431	161 62	3,569 50	17,145 00	34 29	36
St. Charles,	1,907	739 50	286,060 29	805,710 00	1,611 42	970
St. Clair,	571	214 12	83,379 13	150,803 00	301 60	518
St. Francois,	731	274 12	126,351 00	402,253 00	804 50	116
Ste Genevieve,	717	272 46	94,085 00	259,247 00	518 49	154
St. Louis,	6,496	2,436 00	348,736 97	9,747,296 00	19,494 59	19,995
Saline,	1,232	468 16	275,000 00	825,000 00	1,650 00	350
Schuyler,	555	206 25	29,716 91	82,379 00	164 76	140
Scotland,	767	287 62	93,010 00	251,247 00	502 49	359
Scott,	582	218 25	67,960 85	199,555 00	399 11	250
Shannon,	184	46 00	3,636 00	9,734 00	19 46	
Shelby,	686	257 25	241,458 00	716,910 00	1,433 82	261
Stoddard,	757	283 87	17,215 51	46,427 00	92 85	104
Stone,	263	98 62	1,073 57	3,905 00	7 81	
Sullivan,	560	210 00	87,461 07	77,302 00	154 80	56
Taney,	529	198 38	6,951 07	26,563 00	53 13	130
Texas,	531	199 12	7,940 00	57,980 00	115 96	
Warren,	1,013	379 87	142,156 00	314,971 00	629 94	230
Washington,	1,283	481 12	257,964 02		1,297 04	235
Wayne,	579	217 12	22,023 26	65,854 00	131 70	
Wright,	611	229 12	18,536 14	88,940 00	77 88	
	97,470	36,458 83	11,236,485 95	51,740,867 02	104,744 22	45,177

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1853.

Valuation.	Taxes.	Numbr of Slaves.	Taxes.	Tax on Notes and Bonds.	Value of per- sonal proper- ty.	Taxes.	Total amount 1854.
		60	\$ 62 62		\$85,954 00	\$171 90	\$ 416 08
\$7,300 00	14 60	354	273 44	20 04	185,788 00	871 54	1,808 22
22,435 00	44 87	552	828 98	177 76	144,441 00	288 88	1,927 17
685,985 00	1,871 97	2,634	1,870 80	749 00	282,066 00	564 11	7,868 95
7,490 00	14 98	20	16 50	86 27	59,285 00	118 57	508 00
		163	107 67	83 79	112,675 00	225 85	887 75
6,650 00	13 30	716	582 43	24 39	86,712 00	178 42	1,775 90
9,335 00	18 67	522	803 15	76 41	151,545 00	303 09	1,644 32
54,182 00	108 86	1,949	1,103 36	293 56	285,506 00	571 01	4,495 25
16,960 00	38 92	1,087	676 46	343 02	186,747 00	373 50	2,334 39
11,550 00	23 10	470	395 96	100 00	183,995 00	367 99	1,726 97
12,500 00	25 00		1,010 80	10 20	98,320 00	197 64	2,859 62
20,520 00	41 04	275	224 71	66 38	133,475 00	266 95	1,181 99
		106	66 80	36 44	76,886 00	152 77	630 75
2,250 00	4 50	22	14 85	13 42	43,088 00	86 17	256 60
		286	185 83	115 51	178,623 00	357 24	1,666 76
					69,644 00	139 28	298 65
		101	78 70	2 66	26,799 00	53 59	274 53
15,250 00	30 50	626	312 00	38 00	81,000 00	162 00	1,519 62
14,953 00	29 90	1,021	655 30	6 99	186,034 00	372 06	1,992 68
218,425 00	436 85	3,253	1,840 52		331,835 00	663 67	6,834 40
			1,869 17	1,010 20	351,811 00	703 62	9,498 42
17,878 00	35 75	400	359 67	894 88	223,213 00	446 42	2,013 75
1,555 00	3 11	96	59 72	238 85	128,092 00	256 18	880 45
		21	15 70	115 22	71,561 50	143 12	885 90
10,480 00	20 96	1,428	955 67	366 56	221,745 00	443 49	4,137 46
31,825 00	62 65	2,069	1,087 45	548 35	198,362 00	396 72	3,947 12
72,905 00	145 81	1,429	1,201 61	546 57	292,491 00	584 98	5,256 94
		33	19 15	12 06	88,213 00	76 42	244 73
3,555 00	7 11	80	53 95	37 83	57,759 00	115 51	410 31
163,065 00	326 13	1,661	724 62	310 58	184,210 00	368 42	4,080 67
21,413 00	42 83	475	384 13	140 57	141,462 00	282 92	1,855 17
27,520 00	55 04	714	423 91	166 96	84,051 00	168 10	1,897 63
128,375 00	256 75	535	333 78	170 41	99,811 00	199 62	1,751 51
29,652,691 00	59,305 38	2,602	1,845 75	3,246 69	3,357,144 00	6,714 28	93,042 72
46,000 00	92 00	2,466	1,726 00	316 86	409,920 00	819 84	5,072 86
7,932 00	15 86	35	27 20	38 89	74,965 00	149 98	602 89
22,530 00	45 06	165	108 84	75 13	126,325 00	252 65	1,271 70
20,235 00	40 57	422	313 68	53 09	71,532 00	143 06	1,167 76
				2 85	20,600 00	41 20	100 51
45,305 00	90 61	478	305 58	146 23	122,526 00	245 05	2,478 54
9,737 00	19 47	80	56 42	31 36	77,204 00	154 41	683 33
		7	6 30	6 16	35,118 00	70 22	180 11
3,011 00	6 02	98	69 50	72 67	74,174 00	148 34	661 16
3,350 00	16 70	119	76 86	18 67	75,822 00	151 66	515 39
6,080 00	12 16	30	27 10	14 12	78,061 00	146 12	514 53
14,560 00	29 12	923	493 13	172 02	132,001 00	264 00	1,968 14
		1,043	726 53	401 55	219,459 00	438 91	3,846 17
		253	174 28		57,180 00	114 86	637 46
4,140 00	8 28				146,567 00	293 13	606 41
35,241,337 87	70,469 32	74,674	52,515 61	22,876 62	19,021,082 25	38,027 72	324,133 56

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1854.

COUNTIES.	Polls.	Taxes.	LANDS.		Valuation.	Taxes.	Town Lots.
			Acres. 100ths.				
Adair.....	563	\$211 [*] 12			\$189,660 00	\$279 32	
Andrew.....	1,381	517 87	185,509 08		1,311,728 00	2,623 45	321
Atchison.....	378	141 75	30,218 00		98,218 00	196 43	201
Audrain.....	680	249 00	138,000 00		400,000 00	800 00	125
Barry.....	780	292 50	19,115 68		123,477 00	246 93	69
Bates.....	670	251 25	59,273 24		133,575 00	267 15	
Benton.....	851	319 12	86,784 00		157,799 00	315 60	670
Bollinger.....	674	252 75	41,341 61		107,860 00	215 72	
Boone.....	1,957	743 66	383,840 03		1,343,570 00	2,687 14	1,361
Buchanan.....	2,527	947 62	161,866 00		1,746,969 00	3,493 98	2,606
Butler.....	286	107 25	2,530 00		7,240 00	14 48	49
Caldwell.....	398	149 25	72,973 09		339,750 00	679 60	
Callaway.....	1,506	564 75	316,092 00		802,570 00	1,635 14	433
Camden.....	461	172 87	18,072 00		81,383 00	162 76	23
Cape Girardeau.....	1,570	588 75	205,425 40		633,595 00	1,267 19	
Carroll.....	1,029	391 02	256,145 33		615,730 00	1,231 46	638
Cass.....	1,175	440 62	140,684 00		589,060 00	1,178 14	
Cedar.....	624	234 00	49,977 00		176,081 00	352 16	
Chariton.....	1,046	392 25	344,800 67		948,553 00	1,897 10	1,780
Clark.....	1,232	492 00	267,147 08		855,350 00	1,710 70	
Clay.....	1,454	550 50	237,432 40		1,509,499 00	3,018 98	584
Clinton.....	766	264 37	119,523 00		599,682 00	1,199 36	222
Cole.....	1,115	418 12	144,760 00		384,490 00	768 98	1,137
*Cooper.....	1,792	672 00	288,203 15		1,854,205 00	2,708 41	514
Crawford.....	954	357 75			242,970 00	486 94	
Dade.....	717	268 87	68,733 90		227,235 00	454 47	204
Dallas.....	742	278 25	40,313 00		94,951 00	189 90	89
Daviess.....	924	346 12	264,186 00		618,545 00	1,237 09	165
DeKalb.....	454	171 00	57,419 00		261,059 00	522 11	145
Dent.....	373	139 87	20,823 00		61,320 00	130 64	
Dunklin.....							
Franklin.....	2,034	762 75	821,750 00		1,337,671 00	2,675 34	350
Gasconade.....	896	336 00	93,672 00		234,189 00	468 36	1,545
Gentry.....	839	311 62	45,907 00		172,020 00	344 04	
Greene.....	2,289	847 62	155,556 00		679,442 00	1,158 88	153
Grundy.....	593	232 37	93,422 00		290,379 00	400 75	257
†Harrison.....	548	245 87	54,360 00		166,484 00	332 86	
Henry.....	644	241 50	158,463 43		372,746 00	745 49	
Hickory.....	460	172 50	36,371 00		85,896 00	171 79	65
Holt.....	775	289 33			172,821 00	345 64	
†Howard.....	1,489	558 87	259,797 00		1,738,676 00	3,477 35	1,102
Jackson.....	2,078	779 25	272,391 00		1,880,224 00	3,660 44	
Jasper.....	868	325 50	59,912 69		189,921 49	379 84	142
Jefferson.....	1,308	490 50	209,498 00		1,079,828 00	2,159 65	231
Johnson.....	1,295	485 62	220,859 00		788,470 00	1,476 94	215
Knox.....	589	220 87	133,818 00		374,179 00	748 85	394
Laclede.....	589	220 87	16,064 82		73,410 00	146 82	
Lafayette.....	1,993	724 87	843,175 99		3,110,575 00	6,221 15	1,704
Lawrence.....	1,064	399 00	58,877 51		184,475 00	368 95	
‡Lewis.....	1,081	405 37	249,919 00		1,088,320 00	2,176 64	1,986
Lincoln.....	1,436	538 50	284,419 21		556,829 00	1,118 65	416
Linn.....	660	247 50	164,210 80		414,872 00	829 74	142
Livingston.....	746	279 75	125,460 00		865,808 00	780 61	1,564
McDonald.....							
Macon.....	1,164	436 50	149,102 00		459,499 00	918 99	209
Madison.....	825	309 37	110,018 77		423,205 00	846 41	128
Marion.....	1,867	700 12	263,448 [*] 46		2,019,720 00	4,039 44	
Mercer.....	566	212 25	47,140 [*] 00		101,850 00	203 70	229

*Arreages \$10.48. †Arreages \$3.46. ‡Arreages \$30.61. §Arreages \$34.42.

STATEMENT.

1854.

Valuation.	Taxes.	No. of Slaves.	Taxes.	Tax on Notes and Bonds.	Value of personal property.	Taxes.	Total amount 1854.
\$119,135 00	\$238 27	722	\$ 41 92	\$35 05	\$91,143 00	\$182 28	\$ 749 69
14,564 00	29 18	45	492 00	394 56	252,866 00	505 73	4,771 88
8,785 00	17 57	569	83 50	64 57	88,441 00	176 88	642 26
12,818 00	25 63	184	451 60	188 73	149,405 00	298 81	2,005 71
4,705 00	9 47	205	169 85	50 70	150,019 00	800 03	1,085 14
42,209 00	84 41	433	151 64	108 55	191,317 00	382 75	1,170 75
2,700 00	5 40	178	261 07	52 89	153,256 00	806 52	1,339 61
146,040 00	292 08	3,738	134 80		100,735 00	201 47	809 64
608,237 00	1,216 47	1,197	2,214 73	793 70	440,149 00	880 29	7,611 60
1,270 00	2 54	36	1,118 68	326 59	405,430 00	810 86	7,914 15
9,555 00	19 11	167	26 80		43,650 00	87 80	238 37
68,476 00	136 95	3,563	162 00	128 22	120,237 00	240 47	1,378 55
141 00	28	67	1,525 25	641 54	290,642 00	581 28	5,064 94
227,220 00	454 44	1,335	84 80	30 93	97,702 00	195 40	647 04
52,815 00	105 63	712	771 75	119 85	207,415 00	414 89	3,616 87
		525	568 85	97 90	195,365 00	390 78	2,785 59
7,755 00	15 51	135	468 00	238 10	219,363 00	438 78	2,763 59
134,110 00	268 22	1,704	127 29	95 62	151,406 00	802 81	1,127 89
96,430 00	192 86		1,598 67	257 59	216,460 00	432 92	4,846 75
159,800 00	319 60	2,852	346 99	86 92	240,295 00	480 59	3,280 06
36,830 00	73 66	576	2,170 70	746 47	839,110 00	678 22	7,484 47
189,008 00	878 01	775	591 26	356 01	171,452 00	342 90	2,737 56
247,170 00	494 34	2,782	552 75	171 87	207,728 00	415 45	2,705 18
8,295 00	16 59	188	2,228 10	552 46	497,150 00	994 80	7,660 09
11,828 00	23 65	274	169 43	92 94	210,957 00	421 91	1,544 56
8,795 00	17 59	85	216 20	111 29	159,335 00	818 67	1,393 15
31,480 00	62 96	812	71 00	58 90	172,105 00	844 21	959 85
9,730 00	19 46	80	824 56	220 92	205,535 00	411 07	2,692 72
			76 60	39 48	90,901 00	181 80	1,010 45
				35 76	72,882 00	144 76	525 13
107,585 00	215 17	1,368	874 84	208 02	280,001 00	560 01	5,296 18
111,410 00	222 82	84	45 00	32 42	95,328 00	190 65	1,295 25
21,800 00	42 60	59	57 40		144,115 00	288 23	1,119 44
43,124 00	96 24	1,362	951 77	422 07	511,541 00	1,023 08	4,499 96
19,902 00	39 80	208	181 20	88 57	82,969 00	165 93	1,048 62
5,045 00	10 45	9	7 00		95,465 00	190 93	750 57
		755	652 16	164 88	214,745 00	429 48	2,263 59
2,028 00	4 05	208	182 05	81 22	96,089 00	192 17	753 78
		180	156 18	131 50	212,375 00	423 74	1,346 39
228,544 00	457 08	4,696	8,588 97	1,391 23	432,467 00	864 98	10,368 54
518,949 00	1,037 89	2,983	2,258 86	738 08	451,809 00	909 61	9,379 08
12,780 87	25 56	240	190 50	141 61	241,190 00	482 37	1,545 88
8,300 00	16 60	421	386 00	120 78	211,093 00	422 18	8,545 71
32,730 00	65 46	940	857 54	897 94	282,460 00	564 92	8,848 42
22,910 00	45 82	245	111 37	86 07	84,500 00	169 00	1,381 48
7,390 00	14 78	179	109 00	40 14	113,543 00	227 08	758 69
576,700 00	1,153 40	4,895	4,169 23	2,491 10	497,405 00	994 81	15,754 56
14,255 00	28 51	315	252 60	86 75	214,029 00	428 05	1,563 86
191,625 00	383 25	1,172	764 80	815 29	232,275 00	464 55	4,544 32
27,195 00	54 89	2,105	1,017 74	251 89	182,022 00	364 04	3,339 72
22,787 00	45 57	395	272 03	82 88	121,848 00	248 69	1,670 91
45,802 00	91 60	436	317 43	124 84	138,730 00	277 46	1,821 71
20,125 00	40 25	385	284 05	68 10	166,207 00	332 41	2,080 20
23,700 00	47 40	534	330 82	244 24	159,798 00	319 59	2,097 83
796,380 00	1,592 72	2,585	1,896 50	844 85	888,420 00	776 84	9,850 47
9,095 00	18 19	20	16 10	81 64	66,190 00	143 42	625 30

TABULAR STATE-

1854.

COUNTIES.	Polls.	Taxes.	LANDS.	Valuation.	Taxes.	Town Lots.
			Acres. 100ths.			
Miller	678	\$254 25	47,183 12	\$123,015 00	\$246 08	
Mississippi.....	526	197 25	111,820 00	547,510 00	1,095 02	
Moniteau.....	981	867 87	147,720 00	835,260 00	670 52	117
Monroe.....	1,463	548 62	839,543 78	1,209,295 00	2,418 59	577
Montgomery.....	918	842 87	174,844 41	869,229 00	788 46	174½
Morgan.....	845	816 87	18,923 66	873,520 00	747 04	
New Madrid.....	618	229 87		484,430 00	968 86	66
Newton.....	916	848 50	37,101 00	219,261 00	438 52	241
Nodaway.....	485	181 87	40,856 00	175,985 00	851 97	
Oregon.....	855	188 12	5,634 00	20,961 00	41 92	82
Osage.....	1,200	450 00	101,163 36	829,715 00	659 43	
Ozark.....	487	185 12				
Pemiscot.....	246	92 25	21,240 88	54,927 00	109 85	24
Perry.....	1,103	413 50	164,374 00	810,481 00	618 96	138½
Pettis.....	777	291 37	188,473 95	500,116 00	1,000 23	94
Pike.....	2,028	760 50	316,347 84	1,248,975 00	2,497 95	1,691
Platte.....	2,745	1,029 37	168,280 00	3,278,550 00	6,557 11	1,946
Polk.....	1,083	406 12	110,388 00	804,609 00	609 22	146
Pulaski.....	643	241 12	21,917 00	108,410 00	216 82	87
Putnam.....	466	174 75	20,216 00	43,534 00	87 06	
Ralls.....	900	333 62	292,597 00	1,122,710 00	2,245 42	184
Randolph.....	1,240	465 00	243,776 00	974,750 00	1,949 50	235
Ray.....	2,054	770 25	286,852 00	1,260,235 00	2,520 47	1,039
Reynolds.....	268	100 50	7,104 14	19,721 00	39 44	
Ripley.....	460	172 50	7,186 00	38,682 00	77 36	20
St. Charles.....	2,046	767 25	290,306 52	854,845 00	1,709 69	1,011
St. Clair.....	608	228 00	91,656 97	170,650 00	341 30	496
St. Francois.....	820	307 50	131,084 00	296,541 00	593 08	111
Ste. Genevieve.....	666	249 75		299,972 00	599 94	
St. Louis.....	6,769	2,538 88	826,974 02	14,550,272 00	29,100 54	14,872
Saline.....	1,271	476 62	315,763 00	1,061,235 00	2,122 48	424
Schuyler.....	622	233 25	61,079 00	196,050 00	392 12	
Scottland.....	857	321 87	121,798 00	316,713 00	633 42	433
Scott.....	618	231 75	77,020 30	301,716 00	603 43	260
Shannon.....	171	42 75	2,901 00	8,990 00	17 98	
Shelby.....	719	269 63	237,724 00	777,770 00	1,555 54	888
Stoddard.....	781	274 12	20,708 00	58,812 00	117 62	104
Stone.....	232	109 50	1,945 00	2,421 25	4 84	30
Sullivan.....	628	235 50	49,856 81	115,698 00	231 89	57
Taney.....	562	210 75	11,297 53	39,866 00	78 73	124
Texas.....	579	217 12	13,653 57	74,752 00	149 50	
Warren.....	1,083	406 12	155,807 00	338,640 00	677 28	247
Washington.....	1,408	528 00	224,092 14	638,975 00	1,277 95	223
Wayne.....	634	237 75	32,978 90	89,365 00	178 73	
Wright.....	665	249 37	17,056 00	58,023 00	116 04	64
	102,953	38,559 06	12,901,237 67	67,744,752 74	135,489 35	47,678

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1854.

Valuation.	Taxes.	No. of Slaves.	Taxes.	Tax on Notes and Bonds.	Value of per- sonal Prop- erty.	Taxes.	Total amount 1854.
		162	\$ 118 92	\$74 94	\$144,840 00	\$289 68	\$ 978 82
\$8,000 00	\$ 16 00	588	707 10	17 50	151,540 00	308 08	2,835 95
11,865 00	22 73	548	828 65	90 61	176,690 00	351 18	1,831 56
79,430 00	158 86	2,028	1,878 94	584 86	889,142 00	678 28	5,768 15
19,210 00	88 42	1,084	700 51	379 91	171,629 00	343 06	2,542 73
18,405 00	26 81	471	427 84	118 90	221,980 00	448 96	2,080 92
13,000 00	26 00	1,863	1,188 00	26 99	121,670 00	243 14	2,632 86
82,180 00	64 86	272	202 84	80 68	210,889 00	421 78	1,651 63
		120	101 92	89 32	114,234 00	228 46	908 54
3,100 00	6 20	24	20 60	27 51	52,811 00	105 62	834 97
		283	286 10	94 48	155,448 00	310 89	1,750 90
1,078 00	2 15		28 80	7 18	75,715 00	151 48	874 68
623 00	1 26	115	112 85	14 88	84,777 00	69 55	899 62
15,825 00	80 65	604	808 88	44 80	88,830 00	177 66	1,698 93
16,084 00	82 06	1,071	878 31	18 89	232,281 00	464 52	2,674 88
269,910 00	539 82	8,313	1,749 80	1,151 90	899,250 00	798 50	7,498 47
va'taxes incl'd in lands.		2,980	2,659 86	1,184 20	445,976 00	891 95	12,322 49
29,832 00	59 66	482	449 63	280 84	276,515 00	553 08	2,808 60
1,870 00	3 74	99	70 78	101 95	115,191 00	230 38	864 79
		24	23 40	86 07	70,800 00	140 60	461 88
14,555 00	29 10	1,420	968 40	862 16	251,150 00	502 30	4,441 01
46,650 00	98 30	2,079	1,708 41	742 06	880,717 00	761 43	5,714 70
118,188 00	226 87	1,922	1,153 20	448 17	813,480 00	626 96	5,745 42
		81	18 95	12 60	45,498 00	90 98	262 47
2,775 00	5 55	90	92 00		98,817 00	187 63	535 04
173,157 00	846 31	1,658	749 06	175 29	218,768 00	437 53	4,185 13
22,008 00	44 00	481	370 58	193 75	167,741 00	385 48	1,518 11
26,655 00	53 81	702	428 20	202 29	889,810 00	679 62	2,262 00
133,190 00	266 88		333 69	177 32	118,788 00	227 47	1,854 55
26,824,546 00	58,649 09	3,482	2,080 00	2,886 57	4,018,424 00	8,086 84	98,241 42
92,806 00	186 61	3,166	2,064 84	444 54	312,000 00	624 00	5,908 09
		42	34 00	51 96	96,815 00	190 63	901 96
22,900 00	47 80	182	124 88	100 45	144,041 00	288 08	1,515 50
23,169 00	46 33	431	396 70	94 23	101,686 00	203 87	1,575 81
				5 64	23,603 00	57 00	123 87
44,275 00	88 55	514	357 50	166 61	182,595 00	265 19	2,708 02
11,250 00	22 50	84	68 20	24 09	74,311 00	148 62	655 15
1,665 00	3 33	8	6 40	7 89	43,868 00	86 78	218 19
2,966 00	5 93	89	77 80	78 81	79,590 00	159 18	788 11
8,547 00	17 09	132	98 60	24 71	100,479 00	200 96	625 84
		28	24 90	19 76	82,809 00	164 62	575 90
10,660 00	21 31	948	460 90	175 69	121,320 00	242 64	1,983 91
val'tion & taxes included in lands.		1,080	763 09	696 44	241,135 00	482 27	3,747 75
4,228 00	8 45	245	183 84		96,905 00	193 81	793 63
		94	75 21	15 31	123,185 00	256 87	720 76
23,229,108 87	66,458 46	84,644	60,989 52	26,053 32	22,974,871 00	45,959 66	163,815 84

REPORT
OF THE
BOARD OF MANAGERS
OF THE
STATE LUNATIC ASYLUM,
TO THE
EIGHTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

OFFICERS OF THE ASYLUM.

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SECOND BIENNIAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS
OF THE
MISSOURI STATE LUNATIC ASYLUM.

To the General Assembly:

The Board of Managers of the State Lunatic Asylum present, in conformity to law, this, their Second Biennial Report of the condition and affairs of this Institution for the two years ending the 27th day of November, 1854. During this time, it has prospered and fulfilled, to a high degree, the expectations that have been formed of its usefulness. Many insane have been restored to reason and society; many have been greatly improved—thus lessening the severity of their afflictions; all have found at the Institution an abode of comfort, kindness and sympathy. The health of the inmates has, in the main, been good; during a part of the past summer, considerable sickness prevailed, as in the adjoining town, and of like character, attended with some mortality. A goodly number of patients come to the Asylum, worn out and prostrated by years of disease; the most that may be done for them is to nurse and soothe them in their lingering condition.

Our worthy Superintendent has reduced the daily routine of business to a praiseworthy system of order and regularity. Cleanliness and neatness are rigidly observed in every department and person. The comfort and quietness of the patients are at all times faithfully consulted. The selection of attendants is made with the greatest care to obtain such as have industry, promptness, faithfulness, intelligence, accompanied by the highest degree of kindness and benevolence. An attendant at fault in these highly necessary pre-requisites is discharged as soon as ascertained. Indeed, we might say, that no one, not governed in principle by these high principles of moral and social action, should hold, or desire to hold connection with the official and sanitary departments of an asylum.

We are pleased to bear testimony to the general good conduct and deportment of the officers and subordinates of the Institution. Rarely palpable misconduct occurs. Not to have some exceptions to a faithful discharge of duty, would be remarkable. The Managers and Superintendent are ever pleased to encourage where duty is well discharged, and to rebuke the contrary.

The epidemical character of the sickness of the past summer, furnished the Board the strongest evidence of the necessity of two *infirmaries*, one for males, the other for females, to be adjoined to, but entirely private from the wards. The necessity of, and the immediate erection of such departments, are certainly apparent to even the most superficial thinker. Even

in families, the sick procure with difficulty that purity of air, and that rest and seclusion from disturbance, so highly advisory; by how much greater are the difficulties, you may imagine, which surround sick patients who are occasionally, if not frequently, excited and startled by disturbances of those that know no better. The highest medical skill, and the effect of the best remedies are often thwarted by such circumstances. Dr. Smith furnishes in his report, among others, this unanswerable argument, the depressing and deleterious tendency of sickness in the presence of well patients. We commend all of his views to your consideration.

For the want of a proper wall or enclosure to our grounds, patients have occasionally escaped. Not having the means for such purpose, none has been erected. The cheapest artificial mode of enclosure would cost several thousand dollars. To avoid this expense, the Superintendent, with the advice of the Board, caused hedging of Osage Orange to be set last spring, enclosing forty acres of the grounds around the Asylum. It was well tended, and grew beautifully. The drouth of the summer and fall impaired it some, but not materially. We trust in a few years, we shall have a lasting and insurmountable enclosure, more attractive to the eye, and more suitable than any wall or fence.

For the want of means we have not directed any drainage or other improvement of the yard and grounds about the Asylum—a matter of great moment to the health and well being of the patients, and sanitive wants of the Asylum. For their importance, they have been delayed already too long. The basement of the Asylum covers more than 15,000 superficial feet—being more than one-third of an acre of ground. This immense space is filled with damp and impure gases. It is rendered as sweet and pure as possible, by a liberal use of quick lime. With proper drainage, these basement rooms would be both healthy and comfortable—suitable for sleeping apartments for servants, and for deposits of articles of food. Without it, we doubt; and besides, impurities originating here, may ascend hourly to other departments of the Asylum. During the intense heat of the past summer, we had great apprehensions of danger from this source. Other improvements of the grounds, such as grading, walks, seats, ornamental summer houses, the cultivation of grasses, shrubbery and trees, should be accomplished at the earliest convenience. If commenced now, a long time will elapse before such improvements will have matured sufficiently to have a marked effect as curative influences. We cannot too deeply impress upon you, our belief, that smiling nature and beautiful artificial works, should surround the insane, delighting the eye, gladdening the heart, and arousing the mind. Where these may be done, there is the strongest assurance, that proper treatment may do the rest.

The Board have to represent that the procuring of effective steam machinery for the proper warming of the wards, has been a source of great care, trouble and anxiety. The contract for this purpose, was made before the Institution was opened for the reception of patients, nor is it yet completed. The Contractor, a gentleman of standing, as we are induced to believe, has, with the exception of delay, exhibited the disposition of an honest undertaker. The Board and Superintendent, have, during this series of years, used every effort to procure a completion of this contract. Every fall, and late at that, has found his workmen engaged in alterations of the machinery, to effect a thorough warming of the wards. Upon the approach of cold winter, it is so fitted up as to enable the patients to pass

the season, unless, during very severe weather, very comfortably. Although the perfect adaptation of machinery for this purpose, is of great difficulty, yet the Board will not tire till it is accomplished. This mode of heating is now the only practical and economical plan, being entirely free from all fire risks. During a spell of cold weather last fall, whilst our heating apparatus was not employed for the reason given, the patients were, for warmth, necessarily taken to stove-rooms in the centre building. On an occasion of this sort, Theodore McGready, an idiotic boy, placed in the Asylum by a special act of the last General Assembly, was severely burned, and died in the manner detailed in Dr. Smith's report, having been in the Asylum six months and eight days. This sad event was greatly deplored by all connected with the Asylum. Under the act referred to, the guardians of Theodore had paid into the Asylum Treasury \$1,000, and were to pay, additionally, the proceeds of the residue of his estate. Soon after his death, the guardians in an interview with the managers, informed them, that, in justice, said money should be returned to the heirs of the boy, less perhaps, reasonable charges for the time he was a patient, and that they should apply at the approaching session of the Legislature for the passage of such an act, and, besides, unless required, would not discharge their other duties under the act for the present. They were informed, and we so represent now, that the money had been applied in compliance with the act in permanent improvements in and about the Asylum, and that under the circumstances of the case, the managers would not press a discharge of their other duties under the act, but submit the whole subject to the wisdom of your legislative bodies.

At the last session of the General Assembly \$30,000 were appropriated for improvements, considered the most necessary in the opinion of the managers, who, after mature deliberation of the subject, determined upon and closed a contract at \$29,570 with Solomon Jenkins for the erection of a chapel building, and an extension of the Asylum edifice one hundred feet front, of the quality and character of work of the original building. The chapel building was, by the terms of the contract, to have been ready for the use of the Institution in January last, but was not till July. It fills the space between the boiler house and the rear of the centre building, and is 30 by 40 feet, consisting of a basement and two principal stories. The chapel itself is a story of 15 feet, and has extension sufficiently to seat about two hundred and fifty persons. It is finished in better style, somewhat, than most of the churches of the country. The roof is of shingles. As there are no heating fixtures, worship has been had only during mild weather. The observance of religious exercises as a sanative influence in the treatment of insanity, is highly approved, and forcibly urged by those learned in its cure. The managers, so fully convicted of the importance of this agency, bespeak your candid attention to some observations of a faithful minister, who labored untiringly and successfully at the Blockley Hospital, New York. He says, "There is no question that stated religious ministrations, in the case of the mentally affected, exert a remedial influence. The religious instinct survives the wreck of intellect, and this instinct finds its correlative in the ordinary means of grace. It has been my uniform experience in the past six years of effort as a clergyman among this interesting class of my fellow creatures, that those efforts were appreciated, and that the gospel in its plain and simple presentation diverted the thoughts of my hearers into new channels by breaking up the

old train of association. The influence of music, as a collateral branch of our worship, has ever been most beneficial. Upon the wings of sacred harmony, hundreds of depressed souls appeared to mount into the tranquil and serene atmosphere of a restored intellect."

The executive officer of the Asylum will doubtless be able to procure, at all suitable times, the services of clergymen of the town and vicinity, who will no doubt render them promptly.

The extension of 100 feet front spoken of, joins the south wing of the original edifice, and consists of a pavilion, running transversely to the wing, 76 by 40 feet, 4 stories high, with basement, and a wing, additionally, on the south of the pavilion, 60 by 40 feet, 3 stories high with basement. This extension is well constructed for thorough ventilation. The pavilion is sub-divided in all its stories by corridors, corresponding to the corridors of the south wing of the original edifice, so as to form extensions of them, thus making these corridors 100 feet in length. They will be, when finished, most delightful for in-door exercise for patients. The pavilion contains twenty-one rooms, consisting of dining rooms, parlors, associated dormitories, and clothes' rooms. The new wing contains thirty-six rooms, consisting of associated dormitories, patients' and other rooms.

It is through the entire length of each story, sub-divided by corridors of 12 feet width. In the construction of the pavilion, the same height of story was observed as in the original edifice, for the sake of the adaptation of the corridors as mentioned; but under the advice of the Superintendent, it was increased in the new wing for the purpose of procuring better ventilation for the sleeping apartments of the patients. The extension is covered with slate, as in the original edifice. The undertaker, by his contract, was to erect the chapel building, pavilion and new wing, close them in and finish the chapel, the three lower principal stories of the pavilion, and the first principal story of the new wing; furnish and put up heating apparatus of capacity to heat the entire pavilion and new wing, and also the cold air flues and their connections. These are the principal features of the contract. The time fixed for the completion of the pavilion and wing is the first of December proximo, which, though far advanced, will not be completed for some weeks to come. Some of the details of the work contracted for, were, by an after agreement, omitted, and other work ordered. Upon a settlement with the undertaker the amount to be paid him will vary from the sum above mentioned. He has, however, been paid on his contract \$28,000.

The Assembly will have observed that the completion of the fourth story of the pavilion, and the two upper stories of the new wing are not embraced in this contract, and consequently will remain unfinished till money is appropriated for the purpose. To do this, including the furnishing of the same, it will take, under a faithful estimate, \$8,000. In erecting more edifice than they will make ready for use with the appropriation made, the managers feel justified under these considerations: The price of labor and materials increased largely after the appropriation was made and before the contract was let. The original edifice was erected in conformity to the most popular modern improvements in this character of house; additions thereto should necessarily pursue the same system of improvement and be a part thereof. To do otherwise, would be a violation of every principle of economy, necessity and architectural beauty and conformity. The improvements contracted for were in strict pursuance of the system of improvement

originally adopted. To have built otherwise and to suit the appropriation, would have been destructive of this system. To accomplish as much as possible in view of this system with the appropriation, the Board, to their regret, had to adopt the use of shingles for the chapel roof, thus adding some additional risk from fire, situated as it is, and pine for all the flooring, a wood entirely too soft and porous for the purpose for an asylum. The managers feel it to be their duty to substitute slate for the shingles, whenever they shall have means that may be so used. Again, in the judgment of the Superintendent and managers, the improvements undertaken were more needed than any others. 'Room,' 'room,' was then, as now, on the lips of many a suffering lunatic, applying for admission.

When the present contract shall be complied with, the Institution will be able to accomodate about twenty-five patients more, and with the use of those parts of the pavilion and new wing not under contract about forty more, additionally. Notwithstanding this additional room, the Board are authorized in saying, the Asylum has not capacity enough; more room is wanted, and will be required to accomodate the suffering insane of the State. Insanity is rapidly on the increase. Cases are multiplying throughout our State to a fearful extent. Every class of person and character furnishes annually new victims. Our institution has not more room now, than may supply accommodations to the new cases of a year. We are over full and over seventy applicants have been rejected for the want of room. In view of these facts, shall we make other additions? Shall the wrecked mind of the State continue in its ruins? or shall we tender cures, comfort and sympathy? Shall we relieve the numberless families of the State, distressed and worn down in wrestlings with the maniac? or, shall we without a will to give, or a heart to feel, behold their agony and misery? Shall the humane State policy that reared this Institution, now falter, or shall the good that has been, and may yet be done, serve to confirm the wisdom of that policy, and induce a further effort to provide more largely for the insane? We trust the latter course will be adopted. We, therefore, suggest the propriety and necessity of the erection of a pavilion and wing at the northern exposure of the original edifice corresponding to those under contract. The cost will be more than the recent extension on account of heavy grading that will be required.

The agricultural department of the Institution has been very beneficially conducted, and should be considerably extended. Pasture for dairy purposes is greatly needed. Some sixty acres of the Asylum tract, tilled by some former occupant, stand open as a common. This should be enclosed. The health of the patients demand large supplies from the dairy. If not obtained at the Asylum, they must be elsewhere. Much expense might be saved by an extension of the farm.

The office of Assistant Physician, though established originally, was not filled till the summer of 1853. The salary thereof is \$650 00. It is filled at present by Wm. T. Lincoln, M. D., who was presented to us with flattering testimonials of deportment, and of educational and professional ability. His acquaintance has sustained the most partial recommendations.

In July last, we lost by death Judge Baskett, a co-laborer in the management of this Institution. His sound judgment, business qualifications, and practical experience relieved our responsibilities, and added strength to our counsels. His successor in the Board is Joseph Flood, Esq.

We submit herewith the report of Dr. Smith, the chief executive officer

APPENDIX.

s Institution. It is worthy of your considerate perusal and investigation, as it does, fuller details of the condition, affairs and wants of the Asylum than may be gathered from any other source. His recommendations as to improvements, and future action, meet our entire approval, and, we trust, are entitled to a weighty influence with you. Our continued observation of the workings of this Institution, and of the necessary appliances for the treatment of insanity, confirm us fully in the correctness of his views, and the high estimation in which they should be held.

Since the opening of this Institution, he has ever been at his post—never a stranger to pleasure and rest—laboring assiduously for the improvement of the patient, and the interest of the State. We have, therefore, to commend, in liberal terms, his official and professional course, and we are confident, that with a generous co-operation on the part of the Assembly, his labors, untiring labors, and high, medical attainments, will make of Missouri an Institution that will be monumental of her charity, and honorable to her sovereignty.

Muel Thornhill is our present Steward, and makes a faithful and efficient officer.

An act of the General Assembly, entitled "An act to establish an Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb," Approved February 28, 1851, "forty acres of land," being then "a portion of the farm donated to the State of Missouri by virtue of 'an act to establish an Asylum for the Insane,' approved February 16, 1847; including the dwelling house and other buildings situated on the south side of the road leading from Fulton to Portland, Jackson county," was "set apart and appropriated for" the use of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum. During the past two years the Commissioners of that institution, have erected for the use of the same, a large and beautiful brick building on another piece of ground, separate and apart from the forty acres by several hundred yards. The forty acres are in the heart of, and entirely surrounded by the farm and other grounds belonging to the State Lunatic Asylum, and cannot be of any material use to the Asylum for the education of the Deaf and Dumb, and might well be disconnected therefrom. Since the Superintendent, his family and the pupils have occupied the new building, the old buildings and adjoining improvements have been rented out. We therefore, urge, the great importance of a return of this property to the State Lunatic Asylum, and that, situated as it is, it can be made extremely useful and profitable to the same. The occupancy of this property by others, disconnected from our Institution, might in all probability, be very detrimental and annoying to the enjoyment of our farm. We, therefore, solicit the passage of an act revesting the property mentioned, in this institution under our management.

We submit herewith, the Report of the Treasurer of our Asylum, showing the receipt of funds for the past two years, amounting to \$47,603.12, the expenditures to be \$46,885.30, with a balance in the treasury at this date, of \$717.82. There remains in the State Treasury yet undrawn, subject to our order, the sum of \$3,300. The Treasurer's report will show you in general, the various items of expenditure.

We are pleased to repeat that frugality and economy is a standing injunction, and that the officers rigidly obey it. We expend only for necessary expenses, and in truth we can say, many of these are denied. For information, we present below, a table, showing in comparison, the expenditures of our Asylums for the Insane, including our own, for the years specified.

When it is remembered that the other institutions are in the vicinity of large cities, where labor and many other items of expense, are much cheaper than here, and that large institutions may be conducted, proportionably, with less expence than smaller ones, we must believe that our own State Institution has been subject to a most frugal management.

TABLE.

	No. of Patients.	Expenditures.	Years.
McClain Asylum, Boston.....	195	\$41,864 81	1858
New York State Lunatic Asylum, Utica.....	425	81,120 00	1854
" " " "	424	80,001 85	1852
Pennsylvania State Lunatic Asylum, Harrisburg....	160	41,488 58	1858
Pennsylvania Hospital for the Insane, Philadelphia,	218	53,486 76	1852
" " " "	229	53,044 79	1853
Battler Hospital, Providence.....	114	25,945 07	1854
Missouri State Lunatic Asylum, Fulton.....	100	46,885 30	1852 & 1854

In the last biennial report of the Managers of this Institution, they reported as the estimated indebtedness of the Institution on the 1st day of March, 1853, at \$11,800, much the largest part of which accrued prior to November, 1852, the date of their report, and which indebtedness was paid off and is embraced in the expenditures contained in this report.

The present and estimated indebtedness of the Institution on the 1st day of April, 1855, will be \$15,228.41, the payment of which, we ask, may be provided for by appropriations. The character of the indebtedness may be seen in the following items:

Amount due on hire of slaves for year 1854,	-	-	\$1044	00
" " Pork,	-	-	748	49
" " Coal,	-	-	1200	00
" " Attendants and Assistants,	-	-	2750	00
" " on Goods, Wares and Merchandise,	-	-	5985	92
" " on Heating Apparatus,	-	-	2500	00
" of Miscellaneous expenditures,	-	-	1000	00

According to the most accurate estimates we are able to make, based upon the most economical management, it will take \$45,000 to meet the current and incidental expenses of the Institution for two years. An appropriation of a less sum will impair greatly its efficiency. A less sum will compel the Managers to contract the number of the inmates, thereby limiting the usefulness of the Institution and lessening the good that may be effected. Stinting too much the support of such Institutions, is destructive of their efficiency and the great ends sought in their establishment. Other institutions and enterprises may not flourish and succeed under the smiling influences of plenty, yet ours, constitutionally different from these, wholly dependent and unproductive of itself, can only prosper and fulfil its benevolent aims, by liberal provisions for its support.

Deeming it an imperative duty, we submit below a table of estimates, showing the cost of improvements recommended by the Managers and the Superintendent, Dr. Smith. They have been made with care, and are quite as correct as such estimates can be made.

Estimates of improvements recommended.

Finishing and furnishing pavilion and wing in progress, -	\$8,000 00
Pavilion and wing to be erected on the north of the present Asylum edifice, - - - - -	37,000 00
Grading preparatory to building same, - - - - -	13,000 00
Two infirmaries, \$10,000 each, - - - - -	20,000 00
Two wings for violent patients, - - - - -	50,000 00
Improvement of grounds, - - - - -	15,000 00
Work-shop and tools, - - - - -	1,000 00
Enlargement of farm and for farm purposes, - - - - -	1,000 00
Court yards, - - - - -	1,000 00

Other estimates added.

Indebtedness reported, - - - - -	15,228 41
Incidental expenses for two years, - - - - -	45,000 00

The improvements recommended, have a two-fold character, and may thus be presented: Shall the Asylum be enlarged and its capacity extended, for the accommodation of a more numerous body of patients? If so, the improvements recommended in the first three items of the table, should be made. Knowing as we do, the great demand for increased accommodations, we are free to recommend that appropriations be made for the purpose, but respectfully defer the subject to your careful and benevolent consideration. Shall more agencies and a greater remedial force be given to our Institution? If so, the improvements embraced in the remaining items of the table of estimates, should be provided for by sufficient appropriations. These latter improvements are, if anything, of greater necessity than the others. An Asylum to be efficient should be complete in every arrangement, admitted to possess sanative and remedial influences. In this particular, an Asylum assimilates, if you please, to machinery, which, to be effective and to fulfill anticipated results, must be perfect, complete, and harmonious in all its parts. The same rule, *completeness*, so forcibly required in mechanics, must be as rigidly observed in the management of an Asylum, to give it that remedial force and efficiency, so highly essential in binding up the shattered constitutions, and restoring the ruined intellects of the inmates.

We have further to call your attention to the necessity and propriety of establishing an annual revenue for the support of this Institution. Unendowed and unprovided for, as it is, it lives only at the mercy and upon the benevolence of the Legislature. Should these divine qualities fail in their influence, its noble aims would be crushed, and its helpless inmates turned out to annoy society, and to wander in desolation and misery. Brought into being by a wise and benevolent policy, it should seem that this same policy should provide for it, some definite and stable support. Many of our sister States levy an annual asylum tax, adequate to the maintenance of their institutions. This policy is found to be good, and entirely acceptable. Why not adopt the same for the State of Missouri? No enlightened constituency, surely, ever murmured, or would murmur, against a law, directing the support of the insane of the State, at the public charge. Indeed, the same principle has been in force in our counties for the past four years in another form, than here suggested, to be taken by the Assembly, yet we have heard of no displeasure of the people on account of the burden imposed. Under our present statutes, County Courts sending insane poor persons to the Asylum, pay annually into the State Treasury for their maintenance, \$1 50 per week, for each patient, whilst at the Institution.

These payments are preserved to the State Treasury. Without further urging this subject, we would respectfully suggest, as a substitute for the present manner of maintaining this Institution, that an annual tax be levied, or a definite part of the annual revenue of the State, set apart and appropriated, for the use of the same.

In conclusion, we represent that our labors have been many, onerous, and responsible. If we have failed in our duties, it was for the want of ability, not will. What we have done, has been with a view to promote the highest prosperity of the noble charity under our charge, the greatest comfort of these children of misfortune, and the best interest of the State. The management of the Institution, embraces most burdensome labors, yet they are softened by deep and heartfelt convictions, that they are devoted to the purest of purposes, and attended with permanent, beneficial results. These moral sentiments, which seem divinely constituted to follow so fondly the labors of love and benevolence, are our only rewards, and are all we ask.

We trust, in conclusion, that our reports will furnish all the information that may be desired, and that our acts will meet with the approbation of your distinguished body.

CHARLES H. HARDIN,
W. H. CHASE,
JOHN B. LEEPER,
THOS. B. HARRIS,
JAMES JACKSON,
JOSEPH FLOOD,
E. B. SITTON.

November 27th, 1854.

SECOND BIENNIAL REPORT

OF THE

TREASURER OF THE MISSOURI STATE LUNATIC ASYLUM.

The Missouri State Lunatic Asylum, in account current with James S. Henderson, Treasurer:

1853 & 1854 To cash paid as follows:	
For Flour,.....	\$2,784 96
" Furniture,.....	2,820 28
" Salaries of resident officers and Assistant Physician,.....	3,872 72
" Sugar, Coffee, Tea and Molasses,.....	1,846 06
" Household expenses,.....	1,484 09
" Domestic Cottons,.....	296 20
" Stationery,.....	75 00
" Removals and elopements of patients,.....	57 00
" Plumbing, painting and glazing,.....	881 57
" Printing,.....	125 00
" Alterations, improvements and repairs,.....	11,808 88
" Lumber,.....	641 11
" Clothing,.....	1,258 67
" Wages, attendants, assistants and labor,.....	10,185 26
" Garden expenses,.....	700 00
" Engineer and Machinist,.....	1,200 00
" Milk and Butter,.....	1,209 89
" Fuel and lights,.....	1,814 58
" Wagon and Carriage,.....	285 00
" Farming expenses,.....	459 62
" Pork, Beef and other fresh meats,.....	2,197 17
" Medical supplies,.....	955 68
" Freights and insurance,.....	1,216 96
" Rice,.....	100 86
" Meal, fruits, vegetables and poultry,.....	558 78
" Provisions and Lard,.....	600 00
" Miscellaneous,.....	150 57
" Balance.....	717 82
Total.....	\$47,608 12

TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

<i>SUPRA CR.</i>		
1852. Nov. 29th,	By balance on last biennial settlement,.....	\$1,426 61
1853. January.	" Cash, balance of \$25,000, appropriation;	596 18
1853.	" Do Of State Treasury,	10,000 00
	" Do Of same,	4,000 00
	" Do Borrowed,	4,000 00
	" Do Of State Treasury,	4,000 00
	" Do From pay patients for years '53: '54,	4,993 09
	" Do From John Frink & Co., for Horse,	110 00
1854.	" Do Of State Treasury,	16,000 00
	" Do Of counties for clothing,	974 54
	" Do Rec'd on debts due Asylum,	336 70
	" Do For cattle sold,	166 00
	" Do Rec'd from guardians of Theodore McGready,	1,000 00
1854. Nov. 27.		\$47,603 12
	By balance brought down,	\$717 82

To the Board of Managers of the State Lunatic Asylum;
JAMES S. HENDERSON, Treasurer.

SECOND BIENNIAL REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDENT AND PHYSICIAN OF THE MISSOURI
STATE LUNATIC ASYLUM FOR THE TWO YEARS
ENDING NOVEMBER 27, 1854.

*To the Honorable the Board of Managers
of the Missouri State Lunatic Asylum.*

GENTS: In compliance with the regulations of this Institution, I have the honor respectfully to submit this—my second biennial report.

On the 29th November, 1852, the date of my first report, there were in the Asylum sixty-two patients—thirty-four males and twenty-eight females. During the two years ending November 27th, 1854, there have been admitted one hundred and twenty-three—sixty-eight males and fifty-five females, making the whole number under treatment, during the two years, one hundred and eighty-five—one hundred and two males and eighty-three females. Of this number there have been discharged ninety-one—forty-nine males and forty-two females.

Of the ninety-one discharged, forty-three had recovered—seven were improved—one was stationary—two eloped, and thirty-eight died.

The following tables, prepared in accordance with the best information received, will be found to contain many interesting particulars in regard to all the patients committed to our charge:

TABLE I.

The number of admissions and discharges, and those remaining November 27, 1854.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Whole number of Patients in the Asylum November 29, 1852	84	28	62
Admitted in two years.....	68	55	123
Total number in two years.....	102	83	185
Of this number there have been discharged—			
Recovered	20	23	43
“ “ Much improved.....	4	3	7
“ “ Stationary.....	1		1
“ “ Died.....	22	16	38
“ “ Eloped.....	2		2
Total discharged during two years.....	49	42	91
Remaining in the Asylum November 27, 1854	53	41	94
Whole number of Patients admitted since the opening of the Asylum.....	104	89	193
Recent cases.....			78
Old cases			115

TABLE II.

The number from each County, and how supported.

COUNTIES.	Supported by County.	Supported by friends.	Total.
Adair.....	2		2
Andrew	1	1	2
Audrain.....	1		1
Benton.....	1		1
Boone.....		1	1
Buchanan.....	8		3
Callaway.....	7	5	12
Camden	1		1
Cape Girardeau		1	1
Carroll.....	1	1	2
Clark.....	1		1
Clay.....		1	1
Clinton.....		1	1
Cole.....		1	1

TABLE II.—*Continued.*

COUNTIES.	Supported by County.	Supported by friends.	Total.
Cooper.....	1	1	2
Dade.....		1	1
DeKalb.....		1	1
Dent.....	1		1
Franklin.....	1	1	2
Gasconade.....	1		1
Henry.....		1	1
Howard.....	2		2
Jackson.....	1	1	2
Jasper.....	1		1
Jefferson.....		1	1
Johnson.....	1	2	3
Knox.....	1		1
Lafayette.....		5	5
Lawrence.....	2		2
Lewis.....	1	1	2
Lincoln.....	2	1	3
Macon.....	1		1
Madison.....	1		1
Marion.....	3	4	7
McDonald.....		1	1
Mercer.....		1	1
Miller.....		1	1
Mississippi.....	1	1	2
Moniteau.....	1	2	3
Monroe.....	4		4
Montgomery.....		2	2
Morgan.....	3		3
Newton.....	1		1
Osage.....	1		1
Perry.....	2		2
Pettis.....		1	1
Pike.....	2	1	3
Platte.....	3	4	7
Putnam.....	1		1
Randolph.....		2	2
Ray.....	2		2
Saline.....	2		2
Schuyler.....	2		2
Shelby.....		3	3
St. Charles.....	1		1
St. Louis.....	67	6	73
Warren.....	2	2	4
Washington.....		1	1
Total.....	133	60	193

TABLE III.

THE PLACES OF NATIVITY.

Missouri.....	22	Alabama.....	1
Kentucky.....	48	England.....	2
Virginia.....	17	Isle of Man.....	1
Tennessee.....	9	Canada.....	1
Indiana.....	5	France.....	3
North Carolina.....	4	Switzerland.....	1
Pennsylvania.....	8	Ireland.....	28
Maryland.....	8	Germany.....	86
Ohio.....	2	Unknown.....	5
New York.....	1		
Illinois.....	1	Total.....	193

TABLE IV.

THE FORMS OF THE DISEASE.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Acute Mania, - - - - -	7	7	14
Sub-acute Mania, - - - - -	22	14	86
Chronic Mania, - - - - -	32	31	63
Melancholia, - - - - -	3	8	11
Epileptic Mania, - - - - -	9	3	12
Periodical Mania, - - - - -	5		5
Puerperal Mania, - - - - -		8	8
Monomania, - - - - -	8	2	10
Moral Insanity, - - - - -	2	4	6
Acute Dementia, - - - - -	1	4	5
Mania with general Paralysis, - - - - -	2		2
Idiocy, - - - - -	1		1
Chronic Dementia, - - - - -	12	8	20
Total, - - - - -	104	89	193

TABLE—V.

The civil condition of all the cases admitted.

Married	81
Single.....	100
Widows.....	9
Widowers.....	3
Total.....	193

TABLE—VI.

The ages when insanity commenced.

Under 20 years of age,	30
From 20 to 30 years of age,	81
“ 30 to 40 years of age,	51
“ 40 to 50 years of age,	23
“ 50 to 60 years of age,	7
“ 60 to 70 years of age,	1
Total.....	193

TABLE—VII.

The occupations of those admitted.

	Males,	Females,	Total.
Farmers,.....	49		49
Laborers,.....	25		25
Teachers,.....	4		4
Blacksmith,.....	1		1
Cabinet Makers,.....	2		2
Carpenter,.....	1		1
Tailor,.....	1		1
Wagon Maker,.....	1		1
Physician,.....	1		1
Minister,.....	1		1
U. S. Soldier,.....	1		1
Hemp Manufacturer,.....	1		1
Pedlar,.....	1		1
Butcher,.....	1		1
Miners,.....	2		2
Editor,.....	1		1
Printer,.....	1		1
Clerk,.....	1		1
Tinner,.....	1		1
Watch Maker,.....	1		1
Merchant,.....	1		1
Shoemakers,.....	2		2
Minors,.....	3	1	4
Domestic pursuits,.....		64	64
Housework,.....		18	18
Needlework,.....		3	3
Tailoresses,.....		2	2
No occupation,.....	2		2
Total.....	105	88	193

TABLE—VIII.

The probable causes of insanity.

Miasmatic fevers,	25
Indigestion,	14
Religious anxiety,	11
Loss of property,	12
Domestic unhappiness,	4
Epilepsy,	12
Puerperal,	8
Masturbation,	8
Disappointed love,	10
Spiritual Rappings,	4
Intemperance,	4
Intense study,	8
Unkind treatment of relatives,	8
Loss of children,	8
Blows on the head,	2
Loss of wife,	2
Excessive loss of blood,	2
Sudden cessation of bleeding from the nose,	1
Paralysis,	1
Concussion from explosion of steamboat,	1
Jealousy,	1
Shipwreck,	1
Fear of being killed by a mob,	1
Loss of husband,	1
Jaundice,	1
Scurvy,	1
Slander,	1
Unknown,	56
Total.	198

TABLE—IX.

The causes of death.

Epilepsy,	11
Consumption,	6
Paralysis,	2
Dropsy of the abdomen,	1
Disease of the heart,	2
Accidental burn,	1
Abscesses and gangrenous ulcers at the time of admission,	1
Ulceration of bowels,	8
Chronic diarrhoea,	4
Inflammation of bowels,	2
Typhoid fever,	4
Exhaustion,	1
Total.	88

Our history, during the past two years, every thing considered, has been one of great prosperity and, in a high degree, satisfactory and gratifying.

During the spring and early part of the summer succeeding the first biennial report of this Institution, our building was filled to its utmost capacity, and has continued so from that period until the present. As you are well aware, we have but seventy-two rooms for patients, and each room designed for one patient. So numerous, however, were the applications and so urgent the appeals, on the part of friends, in their behalf, that, rather than send back many children of suffering and want, as would oftentimes, have been the case, to their abodes of wretchedness and misery, we were almost compelled to admit more than we were prepared to accommodate. Our number has usually averaged about one hundred, and, in order to their reception, we have had no other alternative but placing two patients in each of twenty-eight rooms. In consequence of this crowded condition of our building, we have labored under many and serious inconveniences and disadvantages, but these we are willing to undergo for the purpose of contributing our aid "in healing the sick, comforting the afflicted and binding up the broken-hearted."

Notwithstanding the Institution has been thus uniformly filled beyond its capacity, we have been under the painful necessity of rejecting, for the want of room, over seventy applications for the admission of chronic cases. In accordance with your direction and the Statute of the State, governing the admission of patients, we were required, after the Asylum was full, to give the preference to recent cases or those of less than one year's standing, and if no vacancies should exist, at the time of their application, to discharge some of our most hopeless inmates in order to their reception. This course is based upon the consideration, as there is not provision for all the insane in the State, humanity requires preference should be given to the most curable. If this were not done, the great majority of recent cases, almost daily occurring, would soon become chronic, and many be consigned to irremediable insanity, who might otherwise soon be restored to society and usefulness. It is to me a source of deep regret, and a most painful duty to make this distinction, and thus deprive one class of all the advantages and blessings of this noble charity, but as long as the capacity of our building remains as it is, a due regard to effecting the greatest amount of good, leaves no other alternative.

While it is melancholy to reflect, that so many unfortunate beings are unprovided for, and will soon be beyond the influence of all our resources, we can rejoice in contemplating the success which has attended our efforts. Forty-three have been restored to the light of reason, to their families and all the pleasures and endearments of home—to society, and to usefulness, and seven much improved. In view of the character of our admissions, the number of recoveries have been in the highest degree encouraging and will compare favorably with our best institutions.

As will be seen from our tables, one hundred and fifteen of our admissions were chronic cases, only seventy-eight recent, and quite a number of the latter have been received during the last two or three months. It is proper, I should also state, we have a number who are improving with a flattering prospect for restoration, and some almost well, who will be discharged in a short time.

Our per cent. of recoveries among recent cases only confirms the posi-

tion, heretofore taken in regard to the importance of early treatment. The experience of every well conducted hospital for the insane continues to prove that from seventy to ninety in every hundred received, if treated in the incipency of the disease, are restored, whereas, after two years, not twenty in a hundred are cured.

The public mind has not yet been sufficiently impressed with the importance of this subject, fraught, as it is, with consequences so momentous, and involving, as it does, man's highest and best interests—no less than the preservation of his noblest attributes from utter desolation and ruin—humanity would rejoice if it were engraven upon the minds of kind and anxious friends, that if they would rescue from a "living death" those to whom they are bound by the tenderest ties of affection and sympathy, and in whom, in many instances, their fondest hopes are centered, they must become the subjects of early treatment, and that every hour lost is that much towards dooming them to a state of hopelessness and despair.

The general health of our household has been very good, except during the past season. The intensely warm weather which continued through the summer months, in connection with the unparalleled drouth produced an unusual amount of sickness among our patients. The citizens of Fulton, whose healthfulness, heretofore has been proverbial throughout the State, also suffered greatly from the prevalence of dysentery. The prevailing disease with us was diarrhoea, with a few cases of dysentery and typhoid fever. The attacks were generally very violent in their character and all of a typhoid type. The fatality, the number of cases considered, could not be regarded otherwise than small.

During the period so many of our patients were sick, we were subject to serious inconveniences and many disadvantages in consequence of not having an infirmary for either sex. In the original construction of the building, no provision was made for the sick, aside from the small rooms, designed exclusively for bedrooms. This is a most palpable and radical defect, and one that should be remedied at the earliest practicable period. Whenever patients become seriously ill in the wards, their successful treatment requires they should be removed from their sleeping apartments, with the least possible delay to a large, airy and well ventilated room. Their own welfare not only requires this course; but also, that of others, for a very sick patient in a position to be seen by others, frequently exerts a depressing and highly deleterious influence upon them. The sick are also thus relieved from the noise of the wards, by which they are often much disturbed and injured. Besides an Infirmary affords an opportunity to the friends of patients, when proper, to visit them, and contribute to their comfort by the kind offices of love and affection. If, in our present condition, an epidemic should invade our wards, and especially one of a contagious character, with no alternative but to allow the sick to remain in their rooms, what could we anticipate but the most lamentable results. Its spread would be greatly favored, and many would be the victims of its ravages, who might otherwise escape or be relieved. If, therefore, we would evince a due regard for the welfare and lives of the unfortunate beings entrusted to our care, an Infirmary for each sex—one for the males and one for the females—should be erected with the least possible delay.

The first impression, with many, in observing the number of deaths, would be, the mortality has been unusually great. If, however, the cases be analyzed, and the causes of death be considered, and also the character

of a large majority of our patients, and the great amount of sickness, that prevailed during the summer, it will be found the result is not a matter of surprise, but the consequence of a combination of causes beyond our control.

Insanity itself, it is thought by many, does not materially shorten the duration of life, but in this form it is seldom seen, being in the great majority of instances, either the result of or complicated with other diseases. The patients received into this Institution when first opened, and until filled to its entire capacity, with a few exceptions, were those of long standing who had been accumulating for many years in consequence of the want of provision for their proper treatment. A large number of these were also laboring under incurable diseases associated with their insanity. With this class as all hope of restoration had fled, our only source of pleasure consisted in the faithful discharge of duty, in the use of every means, at our command, kindness and sympathy could suggest that would conduce to their comfort and smoothe their pathway to the grave.

As will be seen from the list of causes, eleven deaths resulted from Epilepsy. The majority died during convulsion, and the remainder gradually sunk under the exhausting influence of repeated attacks. In most of the cases the disease had been of many year's duration prior to their admission and the cause of their insanity. We have also had six deaths from Consumption; two from disease of the heart; one from dropsy, the effect of organic disease of the liver; three from ulceration of the bowels; four from chronic diarrhoea, and two of these were laboring under the disease in an aggravated form and almost exhausted at the time of their admission, so much so, that, notwithstanding the most persevering efforts to sustain them, they died in a very short period; two from inflammation of the bowels; four from typhoid fever; two from general paralysis; one from large abscesses and gangrenous ulcers, resulting from injuries received during high excitement, prior to his admission.

This patient was truly an object worthy of the deepest sympathy. In addition to his condition just indicated, he was the subject of curvature of the spine. The day he reached here, he was suffering from a high degree of febrile excitement, and so much exhausted he was compelled to take his bed, in which he continued until he closed his eyes in death. The remaining death was the effect of an accidental burn, which proved fatal in a short time. This was a most melancholy occurrence, and, as it is the first serious accident that has happened since the opening of the Institution, it is due, I should detail the particulars. The individual who died under circumstances so painful, was Theodore McGready, an idiotic boy, admitted in accordance with a special act of the last Legislature. He was received in April, 1853, and died the 30th of October of the same year. A few weeks before the accident, the weather becoming cold, and in consequence of the unfinished condition of our steam heating apparatus, we were forced to take all our patients from the halls into stove-rooms in the centre building, to prevent them from suffering. This was our only alternative, and a very unpleasant one it was, for we were under the necessity of removing all the patients in each hall into one room of moderate dimensions. Early in the morning of the day of this sad occurrence, the attendant took Theodore into the stove-room first, and returned for other patients, expecting to be absent only a minute or two. After reaching the hall, he heard him crying and ran immediately to the room to see if anything were the matter, and

upon entering the door to his great astonishment, found his clothes on fire. He made every effort to extinguish it, but before it could be done, the burn was severe, extending over his abdomen, his sides between the lower extremities, the forearms, and hands. I was immediately informed of the accident, and hastened to his relief, but when I saw the extent of the burn, I was confident he could not long survive. He received every attention in our power, through the day and night, but the constitutional irritation was so great he died the next morning, about 20 hours after receiving the burn.

Prior to this unfortunate occurrence, Theodore had been very cautious in approaching the stove, and seemed fully aware of the danger. I had observed this myself the day before. The attendant had also noticed this, and supposed there would not be the least danger in leaving him a minute or two in the room. The invariable rule was, whenever the patients were in the stove-room one attendant should always be with them. This accident, as the facts prove, occurred while the patients were being taken from the halls, the little boy having gone first on account of his appearing to suffer more than others from the cold.

Theodore had improved very much in his habits and manners, and was a great favorite with all, especially his attendants. It is due to them, I should state, from all the evidence I could obtain, and their previous character, I do not, for a moment, believe they designed neglecting him or the faithful discharge of their duties. In view of all the facts as developed, I think it may, with propriety be said, it was one of those painful and unfortunate occurrences that will occasionally happen with the most cautious management. It was to me a source of the deepest regret, and many unpleasant reflections. I hope never to witness such a scene again, and the manner in which our building is now heated precludes the possibility of another such accident.

CAUSES OF INSANITY.

The cause of insanity is often involved in great obscurity, and the history we generally receive from the friends of patients is quite indefinite; and after the most diligent inquiry and patient investigation, our conclusions are very unsatisfactory.

The public are not sufficiently enlightened in regard to the first indications of insanity, and hence, they often confound cause and effect, and mistake the one for the other. The cause of humanity would be greatly subserved, if the friends of the insane everywhere, were deeply impressed with the necessity and importance of exerting their best efforts to obtain all the facts and circumstances that would shed the least light upon the origin and progress of their insanity, before taking them to hospitals for the insane.

The following are some of the particulars to which their attention should be especially directed: residence, age, place of birth, married or single, occupation, previous habits, the duration of insanity, the first symptoms observed, and the progress of the disease, the original disposition and intellect, and probable cause; whether the patient has had any previous attacks, and if so, how many, and their duration; whether any other members of the family have been insane, including grand parents and cousins; whether he has shown any disposition to commit violence upon others, break furniture, tear clothing, &c.; whether any suicidal tendency has been manifested, and if so, in what way; whether neat or filthy in personal habits;

whether the subject of epilepsy, or any bodily disease; general health, prior to insanity and since; whether the subject of medical treatment since insanity, and if so, mention remedies and effects.

If the medical profession would devote more attention to the subject of insanity, and assist the friends of the insane in obtaining definite and reliable information in regard to all the particulars indicated, together with any other items that might have an important bearing, I doubt not, a new and better era would arise in the history of the causes of insanity.

The statistics of American Institutions for the Insane, have not, as yet, enabled us to determine with any degree of certainty, the most prolific source of insanity in our country. It is true, ill health, heretofore, has been assigned as the most frequent of all causes, but as this is a general term and susceptible of a variety of subdivisions, it would include, of course, a variety of causes, and as none of the reports have given us the elements that enter into the composition of this term, we are left without any data for arriving at a correct conclusion. Among other causes, the most common are intemperance, religious excitement, loss of property, domestic trouble, loss of friends, disappointed love, masturbation, intense study, &c. There has not, however, been sufficient uniformity in the different reports to enable us to infer, which one is the most frequent and common cause of insanity. There is a question of far greater magnitude, which lies back of all these causes, and that is, what is it, that interrupts the harmony that should exist in man's mental and physical systems, and thus predisposes him to the action of these causes or lays the foundation for mental and physical disease. There are very few, if any, examples of the development of insanity in an individual in perfect health, from the sudden action of the ordinary exciting causes, but results, almost universally, from their influence upon those in whom there is a want of a healthy condition of body and mind,—can we determine then, what constitutes the most common cause of this want of healthy action in body and mind, and predisposes so many to be influenced by the ordinary exciting causes of insanity? The answer to this question is doubtless found, as others have conclusively established, in the neglect and misdirection of early education. It is during early life, the period usually appropriated for education, when the predisposing causes of disease are too often called into activity. The only safeguard of vigorous, mental and bodily health, is the cultivation of all the faculties in due proportion, and in harmony with a correct physical education. The great principle of equilibrium, which controls and presides over the forces of inanimate matter, must also preside over animate, in order to the production of a perfect result,—a disregard of this principle opens the way for a series of morbid actions, that may end in the most fatal and lamentable results. Every well informed medical man is aware, that a due degree of innervation from the brain, is essential to the healthy action of all the other organs in the system, and hence, if in early life, by excessive action of the mind, a large portion of the brain's energy be expended in maintaining its activity, diseased tendencies gain the ascendancy in their struggle with the vital powers, and the equilibrium being disturbed, hereditary diseases begin to claim their victims, and thus many of the finest intellects and dearest treasures of the heart find an early tomb. How often have teachers, by overtaxing the minds of sprightly children and disregarding the proper education of the physical system, been instrumental in producing these mournful instances of premature decay? And how often have parents in their anxiety to clothe the brows of their children with the early

laurel for the triumph of learning, forgetting that learning to be valuable, must be associated with health, and had all their fondest hopes destroyed. This course, based as it is, upon an ignorance of, or inattention to man's mental and physical organization, not only predisposes its subjects to the various forms of physical disease, but also, to be easily influenced by the ordinary exciting causes of that most terrible of all visitations—mental disease. While physical education is so important, and should be made to harmonize with the mental, it is equally so, this great principle of equilibrium, should be the controlling one in the cultivation of the mind, embracing as it does, the intellectual faculties, moral sentiments and propensities. If the intellect be educated and the moral sentiments neglected, you may have an intellectual prodigy, but, as has been beautifully said, "not a finished man, shedding forth the influence of a strong and healthy intellect, and sympathizing with every pulse of the human heart." If you educate the moral sentiments, and neglect the intellectual, you will have an enthusiast and the subject of feeling without reason, to preside and control. If you educate the propensities, and neglect the other faculties, you will have the animal man, almost on a level with the brutes that perish, having as his only guide the "lusts of the flesh, the lusts of the eye, and the pride of life." How many thousands of poor children are there in the great cities of this Union, and the small ones too, indeed, in every part of our wide extended country, who are being raised without education, without moral training, and without any occupation. Having no restraints thrown around them, they follow the impulses of their propensities, by yielding to the temptations and allurements of vice, spread out before them in their multiplied forms, and thus grow up with their appetites and passions cultivated to excess, and their moral and intellectual faculties, man's highest and most distinguishing attributes, wholly neglected. How will this vast number of the rising generation, after arriving at the years of maturity, be prepared to enter upon the great duties of life? Can they meet with resignation, all its adverse circumstances, its afflictions, disappointments and sorrows, to which all are incident? With ill balanced minds, under the influence of such causes, could we anticipate any other result, than mental and physical diseases, and oftentimes, in their most appalling forms.

In addition to these sad effects flowing from the neglect of education, a certain writer has truly said, "in consequence of the misapplication of books in the present day, it so happens, that a certain education, directed by the individual himself, prevails in every portion of our country, and its influence upon the health and strength of the mind is not subordinate to that which proceeds from the instruction of the school."

The magnitude of the evil, which results from the blighting influence of reading this fictitious composition with which our country is flooded, is almost beyond conception. By it, the taste is vitiated—the mind enfeebled and unfitted for elevated thoughts and reading—the fascinations of sense, are spread out in their most inviting forms, with none of those refinements with which it is associated in pure and lofty minds, and thus, the individual is led on step by step, from one impure desire to another, until he becomes a stranger to every manly and ennobling sentiment, and revels alone in a world of sensual delight. From the want of harmonious action in the mental faculties, predisposition to disease is the consequence, and soon morbid tendencies begin to appear and gradually increase, until the ultimate result is a miserable subject of mental and physical ruin. From this

cause, there are in every Hospital for the Insane, melancholy examples of the noblest minds, who once gave promise of wide-spread usefulness, and in whom centered the hopes of many rejoicing hearts, beyond the hopeful application of all our resources.

To dwell longer on this subject, would extend this report beyond prudent bounds. In view of the reasons and consequences presented, I think it cannot be doubted, that the neglect and misdirection of early education, constitutes the most prolific predisposing cause of insanity, or, in other words, it lays the foundation for the development of this fearful affliction from the ordinary exciting causes.

It has been a source of astonishment to many, that insanity should prevail to so great an extent in this highly favored land of ours, and seems to be increasing even in a greater ratio than our population, and is, perhaps, of more frequent occurrence in this, than in most other countries of the world. The general impression is, that our happy form of government, free from tyranny and oppression, where the rich and inestimable blessings of liberty are secured to the humblest citizen, and all those influences thrown around him that will conduce to his temporal well-being and happiness, would be incompatible with its prevalence, at least to any great extent. It is true, the elements which enter into the composition of our government, in the abstract, seem well calculated to contribute to man's highest and best interests, yet the freedom of thought and action, possessed by every individual connected with this highly favored state of things; the numerous and varied incentives to action; the high degree of excitement incident to the different pursuits of life; the spirit of emulation; the hopes, the fears, the joys, the sorrows brought into exercise in quick succession, all tend, in a striking manner, to disturb the equilibrium so essential to the healthy action of the mental faculties, and by a repetition of the same excesses of feeling, this governing and protecting principle is lost, disease developed, and the mind in ruins, one of the sad and fearful results. Is not the conclusion, therefore, justifiable, that our form of government, with the habits of our people, is calculated to increase rather than diminish the frequency of insanity; especially when we reflect that the causes referred to are acting upon ill balanced minds and misproportioned characters—the effects of inefficiency of the intellectual and moral powers, with those not favored with good opportunities in early life, and their misdirection with those who enjoyed better advantages.

The great practical question then, is, what must be done in this, our happy country, already the hope and admiration of the world, to prevent, in the midst of so many exciting causes, the most terrible of all afflictions? The answer is, ample provision for, and a radical reform in the early education of the rising generation, or, in other words, the more careful and philosophical cultivation of the intellectual and moral faculties and propensities of all, in harmony with a correct physical education. Inefficient and misdirected early education constitutes the great predisposing cause to crime as well as insanity—sad combination, truly! The statistics of all hospitals for the insane prove, that the great majority of the cases of insanity occur between the ages of 15 and 30; and the statistics of crime give us nearly the same results.

In contemplating these fearful consequences, so wide spread and so devastating and blighting in their influences upon man's noblest possession and the dearest interests of society, how great the responsibility of the

patriot, the philanthropist and the christian, and how imperious the necessity for combined, harmonious and persevering effort for the eradication of the great source of these evils.

While it is the duty of all to aid in devising and executing the best means for the prevention of insanity, it is equally obligatory to make provision for those who are already its victims.

In contemplating the great field of benevolence in which this Institution is engaged, the prospect is truly encouraging, and ominous of a better day for the insane in our country. Most of the States in this vast Union, under the influence of an enlightened humanity, liberality and zeal, worthy of the age, are emulously striving to surpass each other in the wisdom and amplitude of their provisions for the bereft of reason within their limits. The diminution of the morbid prejudice respecting the nature of insanity, regarding it as a physical disease, and as much the result of a violation of physical laws as disease of any organ of the system, and not involved in mystery and disgrace, and hence, no more reproach to be a patient in a hospital for the insane for the purpose of being restored, than to seek relief from any other malady, also indicates an enlightened state of public sentiment, that marks one of the triumphs of science and philanthropy. In this praiseworthy and benevolent contest, what is the position of our great State? The large addition to our present building now in progress, gives striking evidence, she is being awakened to the pressing wants and best interests of her most unfortunate citizens. And while writing, with pride I behold another noble structure on a commanding eminence to the northwest, devoted to the education of the deaf and dumb, that will endure for generations to come, as a monument of the humanity and benevolence of Missouri. This charity, through the untiring efforts and zeal of its able and philanthropic Superintendent, is already dispensing its blessings to 60 or 70 of the children of want.

But the question appropriately and naturally suggests itself, has provision been made for all the insane in the State, and if not, what is essential to effect this object, so much desired and so much in accordance with humanity and justice? The new addition, when completed, will enable us to accommodate only sixty or seventy additional patients. As already stated, we have rejected more than this number of applications for admission, and many more doubtless would have applied, if they had not been informed of our inability to receive them. Besides, the crowded condition of the Asylum was published in all the leading newspapers of the State. These facts clearly prove that the addition when finished, with our present building will not accommodate one half of the insane in Missouri, — indeed, scarcely one-third. According to the best information we can obtain, there are not less than five or six hundred insane in the State, and not provision for even one-third of this number. It should also be recollected, that a new addition has been made to the female wing, and until a similar one shall be made to the male, we will be subjected to many and serious inconveniences, on account of the proximity of the sexes. Our tables show, the male admissions have rather exceeded the female. We will be compelled, therefore, until a farther addition be made, to appropriate a part of the new wing for males. In the government of an institution like this, the entire separation of the sexes is a regulation of the greatest importance, and one we most rigidly enforce. The necessity, therefore, of an addition to the male wing must be apparent to every reflecting mind.

Immediately north of this wing, there is an immense embankment, as you are aware, the removal of which, in erecting this addition, will be attended with great expense. It will require an excavation of 12 or 15 feet for the building itself, and an equal amount of grading in the front and rear to ensure successful drainage and expose the first story of the wing to public view. The great expense necessary in preparing for building, and the limited appropriation of the last Legislature, were the reasons, I believe, your Honorable Body did not build in this direction during the past two years. Besides, you were anxious to adopt a plan which, when completed, would combine all the progress of the day in the construction of hospitals for the insane. In making additions, we should look to the future as well as the present, and whatever plan will be the most successful in accomplishing the great design had in view would be the best, and also the most economical.

After an addition to the male wing, similar to the one now attached to the female, shall have been completed, it will be equally important, we should have still another addition to the extreme end of each wing for the violent and noisy classes of the Insane. Until these additions are made, as stated and dwelt upon in my last report, it will be impossible for us to have a correct classification of patients, which constitutes the basis of all successful treatment. At present, we have but four classes in the male and four in the female department, whereas no Asylum for the Insane combines the improvements of the day, which have resulted from progressive experience, unless there be provision for at least eight distinct classes of each sex.

If all the additions to which we have alluded, were finished, we would not then be able to receive more than one half of the Insane in Missouri. I cannot believe our next Legislature with these facts before them, will hesitate to yield to the dictates of humanity and make an appropriation commensurate with the wants of all the children of misfortune within the limits of our State. As already stated, between seventy and eighty have urgently appealed for admission into this Institution, but in vain. On several occasions, patients were brought two hundred miles, objects of suffering and wretchedness, that would have called forth the warmest sympathies of every benevolent heart; but our condition was such, that notwithstanding their persevering entreaties, we could not avoid refusing their admission. I assure you, the duty imposed upon me was truly a painful one, and the scene most melancholy. How sad the reflection, that there are now within our State, four hundred cases of chronic insanity not provided for, who are gradually sinking into the most hopeless dementia for the want of proper treatment, besides, those that are daily occurring, who, in a few months, might be restored to reason and society, if under proper remedial influences, are rapidly tending to a condition where all hope has fled. Humanity weeps in contemplating the sad lot of the Insane. If this subject were regarded in the light of economy alone, the argument in favor of ample provision being made at once, is overwhelming. In presenting this point, I cannot do better than introduce an extract from my last report: "The annual reports of the State Lunatic Asylum in Ohio, prove by incontestible facts, that the average cost of incurables, before being brought to that Institution, was \$1414.40, their average age being 41½ years, while the average cost of recent cases discharge cured, was between \$50 and \$60." Again, in the report of the Retreat for the Insane, in Hartford, Conne-

tient, it is stated, that "the expenses of supporting 102 old cases in five different Hospitals, amounted to \$201,336, or an average of \$1,973.88 to each, while in the same Institution, the same number of recent cases, discharged cured, amounted to only \$6,068.88, or to an average of \$59.69." In connection with these facts it should be recollected, that insanity, when treated within three months, is as curable as most other diseases, so much so, that 80 and sometimes 90 in a hundred are cured, whereas, after one year elapses, not 50 in 100 can be restored, and after two years, not 20 in a 100.

Can any one, therefore, fail to see, if ample provision were made for all the insane, nearly all the cases that would occur, could be cured at an average expense of between \$50 and \$60, whereas, if this provision be not made, the great majority of those, who might be cured, become incurable, with an average expense of \$1,973.88, entailed upon the State for each one. If provision had been made for the 400 cases of chronic insanity now in Missouri, so that they could have been treated in the incipency of their disease, 320 of this number might have been cured at an expense of \$19,200, but in consequence of no provision having been made, at least 300 of this number are now incurable, with an expense incurred by the State of \$597,164, besides the loss to society of so many valuable and productive citizens. This is no fancy sketch, but these conclusions are based upon facts, beyond the possibility of doubt, drawn from the experience of all the American Institutions for the Insane. With the rapid increase of our population, and insanity even in a greater ratio, who can estimate the expense that would, in a few years, accumulate upon our State, if she should longer neglect to provide for all her most afflicted citizens. Can the force of this argument be resisted? but irrefutable and overwhelming as it is, it is insignificant when compared with that drawn from humanity itself, and our duty as patriots, philanthropists and christians.

What is the condition of the Insane poor in every section of this State? There is, perhaps, nothing more revolting to and a greater outrage upon humanity, than the shameful neglect, and horrid and untold cruelty to which they are subjected. Shall these helpless and friendless objects of suffering, because in the lowest rank in the intellectual and social scale, call forth no public compassion—no exertions and sacrifices—no enlightened liberality and munificent appropriations to supply all the means, essential to their comfort, and elevate them to the enjoyment of that brighter and purer light shed by science and philanthropy? In this age of progress and reform, will these children of wretchedness and despair, be longer allowed to remain in privation and sorrow, the most appalling, with a future all shrouded in darkness and gloom? What shall we say to arouse the moving sympathies of all and induce them to put forth their efforts to rescue the shattered bark, freighted with the rich treasures of intellect, joy and hope, from impending ruin and desolation?

Insanity is no respecter of persons; no age, rank, sex or condition in life, is exempt from its ravages. Where is the family, in some branch of which there have not been mournful evidences of its blighting and withering effects? Should not every citizen, therefore, feel the deepest interest in knowing, if he or any member of his family, or dear friend, should become the victim of this fearful disease, there is a home to which he or they could at once be taken, and receive every attention, that kindness and love could suggest, and the treatment best calculated to restore them in a short period,

to all the comforts and endearments of home, and their positions of usefulness in society. What consoling reflection has the citizen of Missouri now, in view of such a calamity? What thinks that kind and tender father, to whom a loving and devoted wife, and affectionate and obedient children, look as their protector, counsellor and guide, if the pillars of judgment should be shaken to their foundation, and all his lofty and distinguishing attributes leveled in the dust? Is there a place, to which he can, with confidence and certainty, flee for relief from a visitation so terrible? This is a solemn question, every individual should not only ask, but be able to answer satisfactorily to himself. If a due regard to our own dearest interests be not sufficient to arouse us to action, have we no sympathies—no hallowed affections—no deep well springs of love, implanted in our constitutions by the strong hand of nature, to impel us to make an effort for the melioration of others, laboring under the severest of afflictions.

In view of all these considerations, shall it be said, the great State of Missouri, the centre of this vast Union, and abounding as she does in all the elements of wealth, happiness and prosperity, will not make provision for all her helpless, defenceless and most sorrowful citizens? I *cannot* believe it, but rejoice in anticipating, she will open wide the door, and make provision, commensurate with the necessities of all.

The question has been agitated whether the interests of the insane would be promoted by separating the curable from the incurable, and having distinct hospitals for each class. This division, although advocated by some high authorities, has been successfully opposed, and would, in my opinion, be a distinction unworthy of the age, and if carried out, the Asylums for the incurable in a short time, would become a disgrace to humanity, and be regarded with the same feeling of horror as were the mad-houses during the dark period that preceded the days of the illustrious Pinel, in which scenes of barbarity occurred, language is inadequate to describe. The following are some of the reasons against Asylums for incurables, and in favor of all classes being received into the same Institution.

1st. It is impossible for any Physician in the present state of our science to determine who is curable and who is not, and, hence, the difficulty of deciding to which Institution a patient should go. It occasionally happens that those, apparently the most hopeless are ultimately restored, and, on the contrary, those with the most flattering indications of recovery, are sometimes, notwithstanding all our efforts, consigned to irremediable insanity. If there were no other reason than this, it would be sufficient to prove the impracticability of separate Asylums.

2nd. The delay that would, in most cases, occur in sending patients to the Institution on account of the difficulty in determining to which they should go.

3rd. The hope of recovery, which stimulates to untiring efforts in the use of moral and medical means, would not exist in the Asylums for the incurable. Can it be supposed, the Physician having charge of those considered beyond the influence of all treatment, would feel the same interest in their welfare, as if he realized his efforts would be crowned with success? The Institution would soon be regarded in no other light than custodial in its character, and the great and leading consideration would be the best means of safely confining the inmates within their gloomy apartments, there to drag out a wretched existence until removed by the welcome messenger—death.

4th. By sending the insane to such Institutions, we communicate to them

the sad intelligence, that all hope of their recovery has fled forever, and the great majority are far from being insensible to such intelligence. There are among the incurables many monomaniacs, whose minds act well upon all, except a certain class of subjects. Shall these be told, there is no remedy for them, and they shall be denied all the comforts that kindness can suggest in curable institutions and doomed to a state of indescribable anguish. What, too, would be the effect upon kind friends, if they were told that those to whom they were bound by the strongest ties of affection and, in whom, they still beheld the heart cherishing the germs of moral beauty and many virtues and sentiments shining in all their wonted lustre, were beyond all our resources, and their portion in this world a life of hopeless despair in an Asylum for incurables? Shall we thus deceive friends and patients, and in numerous instances, commit blunders, fraught with consequences the most direful? A curable patient, sent to an Asylum for incurables, would be a fatal mistake and one that would seal his destiny forever. How great, therefore, would be the responsibility of those who would assume to decide upon the curability or incurability of a patient.

Such considerations, it appears to me, would cause every benevolent heart to shudder at the thought of hospitals for incurables.

It has been stated by some, the sight of an incurable would exert an unhappy influence upon the curable. Such an argument, however, I think, is without the shadow of foundation. It is true epileptics and idiots, if received into an Asylum, the noisy and filthy would produce an unpleasant effect upon others, and should be placed in a separate division from the quiet, orderly, neat and convalescent, not, however, because they are incurable, but for the reason, they are violent, noisy, filthy, &c. It is often true, that the incurable, in the different hospitals for the insane, are among the most orderly, quiet and neat patients in their habits and conduct, and their influence highly beneficial, rather than injurious. And it as often occurs, that recent and curable cases exert the most deleterious effects upon other patients. What, then, is the benefit to be derived from having hospitals for incurables, unless, it be feared, they would receive too much attention, if allowed to associate with curable patients, and their condition is such, they are unworthy of humane and benevolent efforts for their comfort and relief, and deserve to be neglected?

I rejoice in the reflection that America has never been disgraced by one, and I trust, that period will never occur. A certain writer has stated he had an opportunity of visiting one such Institution in Italy and there, "the quiet, the noisy and the violent were all congregated together, and a majority were chained to their beds by their wrists and ankles. No contemplation of human misery ever effected me so much. The howlings, execrations and clanking of chains gave to the place the appearance of the infernal regions." Well might the lines be inscribed upon this and all other like institutions—

"Leave hope behind, all ye who enter here."

The only conclusion, therefore, that can be drawn from the arguments presented, that accords with the claims of humanity and our whole duty, is, there should be but one Asylum for the curable, and in this, let provision be made for the admission of all classes—the curable and incurable—the rich and the poor, that all may receive the same kind treatment.

and enjoy all the advantages, that so eminently attach to every such noble charity.

While it is so important buildings combining all the improvements of the day, and of sufficient capacity for the accommodation of all the insane in the State, should be erected, it is no less so, after their reception, we should possess all the appliances essential to successful treatment, and that will insure the greatest number of recoveries.

Thus far, the appropriations have been so limited, as to render it necessary, they should all be expended in the erection of buildings, and, hence, all other objects of the highest interest and importance have been almost entirely neglected. Among the most prominent of these is the unimproved state of the grounds around our building. This I deeply regret, for in consequence, since the opening of the Institution, we have been deprived of one of the most valuable of all the means at our command, for the restoration of the insane. So important are highly embellished grounds regarded by all immediately connected with the hospitals for the insane in other States, that their improvement is one of the first objects claiming their attention. This, in many respects, is a very slow process, and, therefore, should always be commenced, as soon as the building for the reception of patients is completed. Therefore, we have not, even, had an enclosure, and the result has been in allowing our patients the privileges they should enjoy, we have had an occasional elopement, but instances of this character have been comparatively rare in view of our want of protection. Early last spring, in accordance with your direction, we purchased 16,000 Osage Orange plants for the purpose of making an enclosure. Strict attention was given to the preparation of the ground in the best manner for their reception, and they were planted in due time. During the early part of the season they grew luxuriantly, but since then, in consequence of the drouth, their growth has been greatly checked. But few of the plants, however, have withered, and the prospect with some replanting, for ultimate success, is quite encouraging. We have enclosed in this way, about 40 acres, and if our efforts, in their results, accord with the experience of others, we anticipate in three or four years, a beautiful hedge. Our grounds are so situated, that a plank fence or brick or stone wall, sufficiently high for protection, would exert a very unhappy influence upon our patients in consequence of the prison-like features that would, in a striking manner be imparted to the Institution. The Osage Orange hedge, while it would constitute the best and the most effectual safe-guard, would be entirely free from all such features and at the same time highly ornamental, and by far, the most economical. In connection with this enclosure, the great and essential item is the improvement of our grounds, and this, as you are aware, will be attended with great expense. In approaching our building, the first story of the male wing is almost entirely concealed from public view by a large embankment, and this is so extensive that its removal alone will require a considerable expenditure. It will also be necessary to remove an immense quantity of earth from the rear of the building. The healthfulness of our household, if there were no other consideration, would require a great amount of grading. The wing occupied by our male patients is now, as stated, surrounded on every side by a high embankment, which, of course, prevents proper drainage, and the result is, our basement is uniformly very damp and a source of unhealthy effluvia, especially during the warm months of the year, and in all probability, contributed much to the prevalence of

sickness among our patients the past season. We endeavored to counteract this influence by the strictest attention to cleanliness and keeping the basement covered with fresh lime.

From the best calculation I can make, not less than \$15,000 and perhaps more, will be required for the proper grading and embellishment of our grounds. They should by no means contain less than 40 acres; and you can well conceive that the large amount of grading necessary, and after this, the expense connected with laying out and preparing walks and flower gardens, the purchasing and planting a rich variety of shade trees, evergreens, &c., the building of summer houses, dividing the gentlemen's pleasure grounds from the ladies, &c., &c., would require an expenditure of no small sum of money. But great as this, in the estimation of some, would seem to be, it is insignificant when compared with the numerous and happy results. If there should be any, who would regard money, thus appropriated, as extravagance, we appeal to the experience of every well conducted insane asylum in Europe and America to prove incontestably the highly beneficial effects would not only more than justify the expenditure, but even in a calculation of dollars and cents, be wise economy. If, however, we were without the experience of the past, and had reason as our only guide, could we otherwise than infer, that nature arrayed in her greatest loveliness and attractiveness would exert an influence upon the insane that would greatly aid in their restoration? What better calculated to call into exercise ennobling sentiments, new trains of thought, the pleasing reminiscences of childhood, and divert the mind from its morbid fancies, than the picturesque landscape, presenting all the beautiful and variegated embellishments of nature, the shade of lovely verdure, the new grass, the expanding buds, the peeping flowerets, the graceful ever-greens, the meandering walks, and the majestic trees? Is it supposed, because the intellect is impaired and the sun of reason eclipsed, the heart is not impressed by the beauties of nature, and that the virtues, sentiments and emotions, the rich treasures of joy and hope are also enveloped in darkness? If any should thus think, they know little of the motives, impulses, habits and characters of the insane.

The first impressions made upon patients, in approaching a hospital for the insane, are generally the most lasting, and it is therefore, of the first importance they should be of the most pleasant and agreeable character. If everything should convey a manifestation of interest and consideration for them, and that our supreme object is their happiness, we secure at once their confidence and affection, which become a bond of power and a source of influence; for they are far from being insensible and unable to appreciate what is done for them, either for their relief from suffering, or to impart positive enjoyment and comfort.

These considerations, without dwelling farther upon this subject, I think, are sufficient to prove to every reflecting mind that any asylum for the insane without embellished pleasure grounds, is wanting in one of the most essential elements of success.

In addition to the general enclosure and improvement of our grounds, it is important we should have a court yard attached immediately to each wing for the improvement of each sex. By not having them, our patients have been denied many privileges. They are indispensable, in order that they may, whenever disposed, in pleasant weather, have the benefits of outdoor exercise. As these courts should communicate with the different

wards for which they are designed, the patients would have an opportunity of enjoying the healthful influence of the open air for as long a period during the day, and as often as they might desire. Many patients, when excited, are more successfully calmed and quieted by this kind of exercise, than by any other means. It is necessary these courts, to accomplish their design, should be so arranged as to insure thorough ventilation, and enclosed within a neat fence, sufficiently high to render escape difficult. They should also be ornamented with shade trees, seats, summer houses, and such objects of amusement as would suit the various conditions of the insane. I trust another year will not find us without well arranged courts, for their happy moral influences cannot be too highly estimated.

Not less valuable in their effects upon the insane, are work-shops, of which we have thus far also, been deprived. Occupation constitutes one of the most important means of treatment. There is no more effectual method of giving their faculties a positive and well determined direction, of fixing the attention and directing the mind from morbid thoughts. It also exercises a salutary restraining influence upon many inclined to contract habits, demoralizing and corrupting in their tendency. The shops should be so constructed, and supplied with tools adapted to the various mechanical departments, as to suit the tastes of different patients. They not only exert an influence upon the mind, but also tend very much to improve the physical health, and thus prove one of the best means of cure for the curable, and procure for the hopeless all the happiness, for the time, they are susceptible of enjoying.

Our farm is still in a very dilapidated condition. The larger portion of the cleared and most fertile tillable land remains unenclosed, and we are thus, annually, losing the products of fifty acres or more, besides the important remedial influences, the cultivation of the soil would exert upon our patients. As nearly all our valuable timber for rails is exhausted, and we have a good supply of such as would be suitable for plank, I would respectfully suggest the propriety and economy of attaching a circular saw mill to the machinery for pumping water and sawing a sufficient amount of lumber for enclosing the whole of our farm with a plank fence. Such a fence made with cedar posts, I doubt not, would be not only the most durable and least expensive, but also ornamental, and would produce a pleasant effect upon patients engaged in labor.

Besides the additions and improvements to which your attention has been directed, there are alterations and repairs, of the most urgent character, required in our present building that cannot be longer delayed, without endangering the comfort and health of our household. Among these, the first in importance are our water closets. These were constructed, originally, upon the wrong plan. They are too complicated, so much so, that some part of the apparatus is constantly out of repair. The wood-work, also, is such, it is impossible with the most scrupulous attention to cleanliness, to prevent the absorption of offensive matter. The material used was white pine, and the whole so framed together there is no alternative, but tearing it down, whenever there is a necessity of examining the different parts of a closet. In short, such is their construction and condition, it will be wholly impracticable to prevent them from contaminating more or less the pure atmosphere of the wards. A due regard to the welfare of our patients requires, they should all be removed and their places supplied by others. During the past few years great improvements have

been made in the construction of water closets. Those now in use in the State Lunatic Asylum, in Utica, New York, everything considered, are in advance of any I have seen. They combine, in a remarkable degree, strength, neatness, and simplicity. The floors of the water closet rooms also need repair; indeed, they should all be made new, and I would suggest the superiority of thoroughly seasoned oak, over pine. Floors made of this material not more than three inches in width, and well oiled and varnished, would be water proof. In connection with these changes, there should be a strong downward ventilation through each water closet, and the air in these apartments, would then be as pure and free from offensive emanations, as in any other part of the building.

The floors in our bath rooms should also be relaid, and, indeed, the floors in most of the halls and in many of the bed-rooms are in a very bad condition. They leak very much, whenever washed, and the plastering in the halls and rooms is being very much damaged. Wise economy, therefore, requires immediate attention should be given to the floors.

I would also suggest the necessity of our having, at the earliest practicable period, inside blinds to the windows of all the rooms in the third story of each wing. At present we have but one story in each wing, with guards to the windows, for highly excited patients, and as this will accommodate only ten of this class, we cannot avoid having others, subject to paroxysms of excitement, in rooms unprotected. Indeed, this is often true of patients, ordinarily among the most quiet, and hence, it is proper to have one or two guarded rooms in every ward. Blinds made of strong wire lattice work, I think, would be the most appropriate, and produce the least unpleasant impression upon patients. The glass at each end of our halls should also be protected with a neat framework. As you well know, we have but two thus protected—all the others are exposed and the glass liable to be broken, whenever patients become very much excited. A neat lattice work could be made at each end of the corridors, that would be substantial, and, also, ornamental, and by filling the space between it and the sash, with flowers, specimens of art, &c., a degree of cheerfulness would be imparted to the halls that would be attended with the most pleasant effects.

Before concluding the subject of repairs and improvements, there are two or three additional ones to which I would respectfully call your attention. The unparalleled drouth of the past season has proven the insufficiency of the source from which we obtain our water. The creek from which the reservoir is supplied has not been running for a number of months, and all the holes of water in it are well nigh exhausted. Our machinery will exhaust the one with which it communicates, in an hour or two, and several days are required for the accumulation of the same quantity of water again. This has been the case during the greater part of the past summer and fall, and, in consequence, we have been compelled to curtail the use of water in our building to less than half the quantity previously used and this has subjected us to serious inconveniences, and deprived our patients of advantages, they should have enjoyed.

For the purpose of overcoming this difficulty and preventing its recurrence in future, I would recommend digging a well, on the bank of the creek, twelve or fifteen feet in diameter, and in depth at least ten feet below its bed, and changing the suction pipe of the pumps, so that it will communicate with it. From an experiment made with a much smaller one, near

the same place, I am confident this would yield us an abundant and perpetual supply.

I would also suggest the necessity of more cisterns for receiving the water from the roof of our building. We now have but two, each twelve feet in diameter and fifteen in depth. From a calculation of the quantity of water that usually falls in twelve months, and the dimensions of the roof, I find that twenty-four cisterns of the same size of those we have, would be required to receive all the water that would fall. In other words, this number would be filled during the time. I suppose, allowing for the quantity that would be daily used, eight additional cisterns would be necessary to prevent wasting.

In concluding this subject, I would, also, call your attention to the condition of our out-buildings. Among these, I would mention the barn, smoke-house, ice house and coal house. They are all temporary structures, and not adapted to an institution of this character. Our barn should be sufficiently large for all our stock, horses, cows and hogs, and, also, contain apartments for our wagons, carriages, &c., and storing all the products of the farm. The smoke-house is a framed building, and entirely too small for the wants of the Asylum. The same is true of the ice-house, and our coal-house is not worthy of a name among houses. A due regard to the present and future interests of this Institution requires, they should all, not only be enlarged, but built of brick. I am aware, that your Honorable body were compelled to have such buildings, as we now have, erected in consequence of limited appropriations, and I allude to them now, believing our next Legislature will realize their importance, and make an appropriation, commensurate with our necessities.

I trust, a specific sum will be given for the improvement of our grounds, and the repairs and alterations, to which we have alluded, aside from whatever amount may be necessary for additional buildings for the reception of the insane. Immediate attention to these improvements would not only accord with humanity, but wise economy. If this Institution should combine all the advantages, essential to successful treatment, the number of cures would be greater, and the recoveries more rapid, and hence, the expense less. If, for example, we receive into this asylum one hundred recent cases, of less than three months duration, and we are prepared to afford them all the means of treatment, that have resulted from the triumphs of science and philanthropy, perhaps, ninety in one hundred would be restored. If, however, we should receive the same number, and our Institution wanting in many of the chief elements of success, not more than seventy in the hundred would be cured, and the time required for their restoration greater, so that the expense of the seventy recoveries would about equal that of the ninety. Besides, there would be in every hundred, twenty immortal spirits consigned to hopeless insanity, and an expense of \$36,000, according to the average given, entailed upon the State, for their maintenance, aside from the loss of so many noble intellects to their families and society. This same twenty, who would thus be consigned to darkness forever, with all the appliances of treatment, could have been restored to reason and usefulness, at an expense of \$1200.

It should be borne in mind, these lamentable effects do not result from the want of properly constructed buildings for the reception of the insane, good officers to manage them, &c., but in consequence of not having, for example, highly embellished grounds, work-shops, court-yards, libraries,

&c., &c., which, as we have been endeavoring to prove, are so valuable in their remedial influences.

With these arguments and reflections, I leave this subject. The Insane are left to the mercy of our State—Will she, in the great resources of her strength, not have compassion upon these objects of the greatest sympathy, crying as from the regions of despair, for relief? It is to her they look for aid, if from earth it comes at all. Will she behold her citizens, with the immortal powers of their nature in ruins, and turn a deaf ear to their cries for help? Because the sun of reason is eclipsed, will she allow it to remain in darkness forever? I cannot believe it. The enlightened liberality of the last Legislature, when the wants of her most unfortunate children were not so well known, as now, is a harbinger of a better and more joyful era.

Our heating apparatus, which has been a source of so much inconvenience and difficulty, during the past two years, is now about being completed, in accordance with the latest and best improvements. The great source of failure, heretofore, has been, the different stories in each wing were supplied with warm air from the same chamber, and the consequence was, the highest stories received all the heat and the lowest were uniformly cold. According to the plan now adopted, each chamber is subdivided into four, so that each story is supplied from its own chamber, and hence, all the difficulty that existed, from irregular currents of warm air, is entirely overcome. The apparatus is not quite complete, but so far as it has been tested, the result has been highly satisfactory.

The heating of public buildings, and especially Hospitals for the Insane, by steam, is one of the great improvements of the age. The air thus heated is soft, pleasant, uniform and healthy, and entirely free from the dryness and impurities of the air heated by stoves and furnaces. Steam can also be appropriated to so many useful purposes in an Institution of this kind. The same boilers by which our building is heated, also supply steam for heating all our water for bathing, washing and for drying clothes. It would also be economy, if we were prepared for cooking by steam, less labor would be required, and the process greatly facilitated. Besides all these advantages, a most important consideration is, there is no danger from fire. I rejoice that your Honorable body have recently made a contract for having the centre building heated by steam. This will be attended with many good results, and if there were no other reason in its favor, than the safety of the building, this would be more than sufficient. In addition to this, however, and the improved healthfulness of the heated air, there will be great economy in the arrangement. The great expense and labor of keeping up fires in all the rooms of the centre building will be avoided, for the same engineer who attends to the boilers for heating the wings, will be sufficient for this.

This delightful method of heating buildings, I doubt not, will ultimately to a great extent, supersede the use of every other.

GENERAL TREATMENT.

The length to which this report has already attained, precludes the propriety of dwelling long upon the general management of the Institution. The medical treatment alone, if properly presented, would require a lengthy report; and would be interesting chiefly, to the medical profes-

sion. We have a journal regularly published, devoted exclusively to insanity, I think would be the most appropriate medium through which to present this branch of the subject. Suffice it to say, the general principles which govern in the medical treatment of the insane, are very much the same in all the well conducted institutions of this country. The annual meetings of the Superintendents of American asylums have greatly contributed to this result, and conducted, in every particular, to the highest and best interests of hospitals for the insane.

In our moral treatment, we have endeavored to carry out and act in accordance with the great principles of humanity and benevolence, upon which this noble charity is founded. We have adopted as our guide, the motto established by the immortal Pinel, "that goodness is the most effective of remedies, and justice the most impressive of authorities." This great and good man, with a moral heroism, worthy of all praise and admiration, sixty years ago, broke the chains of the insane and substituted the soft control of kindness and gentleness for violence and intimidation; order for confusion, and the holy duties of humanity for the shameful excesses of barbarism. This spirit of reform has been perpetuated to the present day, and constitutes one of the proudest triumphs of philanthropy. Such a legacy bequeathed to the most unfortunate of our race, the world has never witnessed.

In all our intercourse with patients, we treat them as friends and brothers, and not as inferiors; and endeavor to impress upon them that our chief object is their good, let it cost whatever sacrifice it may. If there be one regulation we more rigidly enforce than another, it is that which requires patients shall receive uniformly kind and affectionate treatment; and hence, in selecting attendants, our design is to obtain those who are intelligent, of irreproachable moral character, amiable and benevolent, and especially, such as have the power of controlling their feelings under the greatest provocation. Whenever we find them deficient in these traits of character, we advise them to engage in some other avocation; and any wilful mistreatment of a patient is followed by an immediate discharge. Unless the "law of love" be made supreme, all our efforts for the restoration of the insane will be, to a great extent, counteracted. To the honor of our country and age, be it spoken, that all American asylums are founded upon this great law.

Our experience, thus far, has only confirmed the views expressed in my last report, in regard to the use of restraining apparatus. Our rule is, as heretofore stated, that no such apparatus is in use, and its employment the exception. It is never resorted to unless a patient should be disposed to injure himself or tear and break everything to pieces within his reach, and then for as short a period as possible. To use it with a view of punishment would be a reproach to any institution. Among all our patients, we now have but one or two with whom it is necessary to use restraint. Whenever this is required, our object is always to use the mildest possible means and in such manner, as will produce the least unpleasant impression upon the patient.

The barbarous restrictions to which the insane have heretofore been subjected, and the various means resorted to are sufficient to fill the benevolent mind with horror. We have often had patients brought to this Institution loaded with chains and bound down with cords—objects of the greatest suffering, and truly a most melancholy spectacle to behold. In all

such cases, our first act is to remove these trappings of cruelty; the patient is then kindly addressed, and assured he is in the midst of his friends, who will use every means at their command that will conduce to his comfort. After explaining to him, in the presence of those accompanying him, the character and object of the Institution, and the design had in view in bringing him here, he is sent to the Ward he is to occupy, and allowed his liberty, and, in the great majority of instances, we have very little trouble afterwards. That harsh and cruel treatment will drive the insane to recklessness and deeds of violence, is proven most conclusively from the fact when means of restraint were in constant use, there were about thirty of this class in every one hundred; wherein, since the great law of humanity has been the governing one, there are not more than from five to eight in one hundred. It has been well said, "In the government of asylums, those who would have recourse to violence and brutal force, give evidence of their utter moral inability; they degrade the dignity of man; they give birth to the lowest instincts; stifle the noblest sentiments, and deserve rather to be treated as dangerous insane, than to be entrusted with their government."

Every year's observation and experience continue to prove the great value of varied mental and physical exercise in the treatment of the insane. Regular labor, with those whose previous habits adapt them to it, cannot be too highly estimated in a curative point of view. Cases of chronic insanity are more benefited by this kind of out-door exercise, than all other remedial agents combined. The mind is thus not only engaged with exterior objects, the currents of thought directed into new channels, its morbid rambling and concentration upon hallucinations, suspended, but the general health is improved; vigor and tone imparted, excitability calmed, the cutaneous action promoted, the body fatigued, and appetite and refreshing sleep induced. Patients confined day after day to the monotony of the halls, with the same objects constantly before them, soon fall into a torpid and indolent state, become excitable, and subject, more or less, to a variety of diseases, and others would gradually sink into the most hopeless dementia. The advantage of their labor to the Institution is altogether a secondary consideration. The cheering, tranquillizing, and curative influence it exerts upon them, is the ruling motive, and founded alone in humanity. For the purpose of encouraging and exciting patients to exercise and labor, it is necessary to associate something useful and attractive with their various pursuits, and, also, have a great variety of means for occupying their time. A large farm and garden are not only necessary, to suit the tastes and habits of many, but, also, workshops of various kinds, for those possessing mechanical knowledge, and calisthenium, for gymnastic exercises, and preparations for various other kinds of amusements. Many can be induced to engage in amusements, which afford the most healthful exercise, who would not labor. While many are cured by labor, the incurable are much improved by it, and their comfort and happiness, in a high degree, promoted. During the past season, many of our patients engaged in labor on the farm and in the garden, and it was a source of great enjoyment, as well as profit to them. We always persuade as many as possible, to engage in physical exercise. In addition to labor, they take long walks every day in the open air, unless the inclemency of the weather should prevent. During the winter months, as we have no workshops nor

arrangements for amusement, this is the chief exercise they can enjoy, in connection with cutting and sawing wood.

Our female patients, also, exercise regularly in the open air, either in walking or riding. We keep a carriage, as you are aware, for their improvement and enjoyment. When not engaged in this kind of exercise, they occupy much of their time in sewing, knitting, spinning, &c. Under the supervision of the Matron, sewing parties are frequently formed and prove a source of the highest gratification and pleasure, and the beneficial effects upon their mental condition are most encouraging. The fact, that we have had but one seamstress employed for our entire household constitutes the best evidence of the assistance rendered by the patients. To give you a still more satisfactory view of the result of their labors, I append the following list of articles, made exclusively by them during the last two years, in addition to nearly all the mending and repairing, we require.

Dresses,	148	Skirts,	150
Drawers,	110	Fancy Boxes,	4
Shirts,	278	Shirt Bosoms,	16
Sacks,	92	Under-sleeves, pairs,	24
Caps,	60	do Needle-worked, pairs,	2
Cap, needle-worked,	1	Pantalets, pairs,	2
Night-gowns,	18	Bed-spreads,	80
Sheets,	196	Coats,	10
Hose, pairs,	146	Vests,	151
Chemise,	152	Bonnets trimmed,	4
Window-curtains,	65	Blankets hemmed,	39
Needle-cushions,	12	Bed-Quilts,	6
Towels,	309	Inserting needle work, yards,	5
Handkerchiefs, hemmed,	108	Cuffs, do do pair,	1
Flannel-shirts,	28	Bed-Ticks,	13
Aprons,	174	Table-Spreads,	27
Socks, pairs,	102	Suspenders, pairs,	14
Gloves, pairs,	12	Cravats,	40
Collars,	62	Stand-Covers,	40
Pillow cases,	870	Carpets hemmed,	3
Curtain-bands,	100	Quilted Bonnets,	10
Pantaloon,	203	Comfortables,	77
Bonnets,	16	Rolls spun and prepared for knitting, lbs,	70

The beneficial effects of mental exercise are also very striking, and accord with the experience of all hospitals for the insane. We are able to testify from our own observation, during the greater part of the present year. Early last spring, realizing this Institution was wanting in one of the important elements of success in not having a library for our patients, we made an appeal to the liberality and benevolence of the public, in behalf of one, and I have the high degree of pleasure and satisfaction of stating, that many noble and generous spirits, in different parts of our State, contributed a large number of valuable books, magazines, periodicals, &c., and the result has been a library of 500 volumes. It has already been a source of the greatest enjoyment and improvement to many children of sorrow, and as long as this charity shall endure, will it stand forth as a monument of the humanity and philanthropy of the citizens of Missouri, and the donors be held in the most grateful remembrance.

Among those who have thus manifested their sympathy for our afflicted household and contributed to their welfare, are the following:

John Halsall, Esq., St. Louis, Mo.,	9 vols.	Hon. H. S. Geyer, 8 vols., including
Taylor Blow, Esq., " " "	12 "	Owen's great Geological work.
Messrs. Keith & Woods, " " "	25 "	Hon. Gilchrist Porter, Maps of Coast
Jos. Charless, Esq., " " "	10 "	Survey.
Jno. Walker, Esq., " " "	5 "	Charles Beal, Esq., Clay Co., Mo., 8 vols.
Sol. Smith, Esq., " " "	40 "	Faculty and Pupils of Howard High
S. A. Ranlett, Esq., " " "	14 "	School, 200 "
J. G. Sampson Esq., " " "	8 "	Wm. H. Lusk, Esq., Jefferson City, Mo.,
A. B. Chambers, Esq., " " "	68 "	1st vol. Col. Benton's History.
Judge Brotherton, " " "	40 "	Jas. Richardson, Esq., Mo., box journals
R. A. Raphael, Esq., Fulton, Mo.,	11 "	periodicals, &c.,
Dr. J. E. Thompson, " " "	7 "	

In addition to these, we have received a large number of periodicals and some books, and been unable to determine the names of the donors. There are also, a number of others who have indicated they have books in readiness for us, which we expect to receive at an early day. To all we would return our warmest thanks; indeed, language is inadequate appropriately to express our sense of obligation for their kindness and disinterested benevolence.

In our Library, we have a great variety of school-books, which, for a large number of our patients, are the most valuable. In all Institutions where schools have been introduced, they have been considered the happiest application of intellectual occupations. Recently we have been endeavoring to form classes in our different wards, in imitation of the exercises of schools, and the results, as far as our observation has extended, have been highly gratifying and encouraging. Their attention is fixed in a continued manner upon objects of a positive character, entirely opposed to their insanity, which diverts the mind from painful thoughts. In uniting and bringing patients together in this way, a spirit of emulation is excited; they are encouraged by the presence of their companions, and stimulated to exercise greater self-control, and repress the ebullitions of feeling; they are rendered more social; the affective faculties are strengthened, and trains of reflection induced, which exert the greatest influence in the cure of certain forms of mental disease. We anticipate great pleasure and a series of the most cheering and happy consequences in the use of our Library.

In connection with this, I should state, that several individuals have kindly offered to present to the Asylum valuable collections of mineralogical and geological specimens. I trust we will soon have means at command for preparing a room in a suitable manner, for a museum. In some Institutions, separate and handsome buildings have been erected upon their pleasure grounds for this purpose. This I regard as far preferable to setting apart a room in the main building. Will not some philanthropic and highly benevolent citizen of Missouri, as has been done in other States, give a practical illustration of appropriating a portion of his abundance to one of the noblest ends of wealth, by donating a sufficient sum to the Asylum to erect such a building?

In this connection, I cannot fail to mention the present to the Institution of one hundred and ten beautiful pictures, by Miss Dix, whose name is identified with humanity, philanthropy and benevolence throughout the world. As the great Missionary of Mercy, where are the abodes of misery and wretchedness she has not visited, and upon which, through her instrumentality, a purer and brighter light has not been shed?

In connection with the means of moral treatment to which we have been alluding, religious exercises should not be overlooked, nor considered as subordinate in their influence. The completion of our large, airy and beautiful chapel has been a source of a high degree of gratification to our patients. A large number were present at the time of its dedication several weeks ago, and have attended regularly the religious services we have had on several occasions since, and their deportment has been uniformly orderly, and in every particular becoming the house of worship. We take this occasion of expressing our acknowledgments to the Rev. James E. Hughes for his very interesting and appropriate dedicatory sermon, and also to the different clergymen in Fulton, for favoring us with religious exercises since.

The most conclusive evidence of the salutary influence of religious truth, simply and properly presented upon the insane, is the testimony of many after recovery, of its cheering and happy effects upon them.

In addition to our religious exercises in our Chapel, we design having various kinds of exhibitions for the entertainment of our patients. Our magic lantern has been a source of much enjoyment to them. We have a rich variety of slides, and among them, a number of beautiful dissolving views, which will, no doubt, prove highly interesting and pleasing, as well as beneficial. We also anticipate much pleasure and profit from concerts of vocal and instrumental music. Music may be justly ranked among the most delightful occupations, and useful recreations.

Before concluding this report, it is proper that I should allude to the great and common error committed by the friends of patients, in the use of deception in bringing them to the Asylum. It produces a feeling of general distrust, which often results in a want of confidence in the officers of the Institution, to whom they are about to be entrusted, and thus, one of the most essential elements of success in their moral treatment is lost. Another almost uniform and most pernicious result is, they form erroneous opinions in regard to the character and design of the Institution. Some will consider it a prison, and their being in it, an evidence to strangers, they have committed some offence against the laws of their country. If you endeavor to convince them they are in error, they will often smile at your efforts, in a manner that fully proves they have no confidence in anything you are saying. The reason of this is clearly seen in the reply once given by a patient to a Superintendent, while endeavoring to convince him of his erroneous opinions: "how can I believe you, sir, (said he) when these my friends have lied to me every mile of my way here?" How is it possible for a patient to improve, as he otherwise would, while in such a state of mind? Better far, he should be brought confined, than pleasantly, by deception. Before leaving home the friends of the patient should always inform him, in a frank, plain, and honest manner, he is insane, and they design taking him to the State Lunatic Asylum, where he will receive the kindest treatment, to remain as long as may be thought necessary for his restoration. They should always avoid making any definite promise or statement in relation to the time necessary for his recovery. If they should not, and after the expiration of the time, the patient be uncured, he would lose all confidence in those having charge of him, and believe he was detained contrary to the wishes of his friends, and with some sinister end in view.

I hope, therefore, it will be deeply impressed and engraven upon the minds

of the friends of the insane in Missouri, that deception, in every form, is most pernicious in its consequences, and should be strictly avoided.

The portion of the farm enclosed and our garden have been cultivated during the past two years, and in view of the blighting influence of the drouth of the past season, the results have been highly creditable to those having their supervision.

The following is a list of all the prominent articles produced:

Early York Cabbage,.....	2,000 heads.	Carrots,.....	12 bushels
Late do	1,000 do.	Turnips,.....	200 do.
Onions,.....	18 bushels	Navy Beans,.....	8 do.
Beets,.....	36 do.	Parsnips,.....	12 do.
Cucumbers,.....	16 do.	Salsify,.....	8 do.
Butter Beans,.....	22 do.	Squash,.....	24 dozen.
Tomatoes,.....	150 do.	Lettuce,.....	50 do.
Sweet Corn,.....	20 do.	Watermelons,.....	80 do.
Sweet Potatoes,.....	40 do.	Corn,.....	275 barrels.
Irish Potatoes,.....	250 do.	Oats,.....	1100 dozen.
Green Peas,.....	85 do.	Hay,.....	35 tons.
String Beans,.....	65 do.	Pork,.....	12000 lbs.
Lady Peas,.....	10 do.	Whole value at a low estimate, \$2,000.00.	

The following table will show the persons employed in the Institution, their occupation and compensation:

No.	Names.	Service.	Compensation.
1	Mr. W. Welch,.....	Attendant,.....	\$20 per month.
2	" S. Gilbert,.....	do.	" "
3	" J. Craghead,.....	do.	" "
4	" T. F. Guthrie,.....	do.	" "
5	" J. Atkinson,.....	do.	" "
6	" T. H. Ficklin,.....	do.	" "
7	" J. Kennet,.....	do.	" "
8	" J. H. White,.....	Assist. do. and Apothecary,	" "
9	Mrs. M. E. Clark,.....	Female Attendant,.....	\$10 per month.
10	" M. J. Miller,.....	do.	" "
11	Miss C. E. Miller,.....	do.	" "
12	" E. Day,.....	do.	" "
13	" M. Lawrence,.....	do.	" "
14	" N. Lawrence,.....	do.	" "
15	Mrs. P. McKinney,.....	Seamstress,.....	" "
16	Mr. W. F. Wilson,.....	Watchman,.....	\$20 "
17	Mrs. S. Wilson,.....	Watch-woman,.....	\$10 "
18	Mr. R. Bamber,.....	Carpenter,.....	\$1.50 per day.
19	" Francis James,.....	Engineer and Mechanic,....	\$50 per month.
20	" J. Welsh,.....	Fireman,.....	24 "
21	" H. Vanl,.....	Baker,.....	80 "
22	Miss Mary Welsh,.....	Washer-woman,.....	9 "
23	Gracy, (colored woman,)...	do.	\$50 per annum.
24	Jane, do.	do.	65 "
25	Charlotte, do.	do.	65 "
26	Ann, do.	House servant,.....	65 "
27	Henry, (colored man,).....	Cook,.....	\$275 per annum.
28	Nancy, (colored woman,)...	Assistant Cook,.....	65 "
29	Dan, (colored boy,).....	do in kitchen,.....	50 "
30	Anderson, (colored man,)...	Laborer,.....	150 "
31	Jordan, (colored man,).....	do.	135 "
32	William, do.	do.	150 "

To the editors, publishers and proprietors of the newspapers and periodicals, which are now favoring us with regular visits, we express our most grateful acknowledgments. The following is our list, greatly enlarged since our last report:

Tri-weekly "Missouri Republican," tri-weekly "St. Louis Intelligencer," weekly "St. Louis Pilot," "Western Watchman," "Gospel Banner," "Western Anzeiger," "Western Journal & Civilian," "Jefferson Examiner," "Jefferson Inquirer," "Lexington Express," "St. Joseph Cycle," "Industrial Luminary," "Glasgow Times," "Howard Banner," "Boonville Observer," "Missouri Statesman," "Dollar Missouri Journal," "Palmyra Whig," "Hannibal Messenger," "North East Reporter," "Christian Evangelist," "Missourian," "Louisiana Record," "Missouri Telegraph," "Weekly Brunswick," "Liberty Platform," "Saturday Evening Post," "Blackwood's Magazine," "Millennial Harbinger."

These tokens of sympathy and kind remembrance are, to us, a source of the highest gratification, and to our patients, great enjoyment and improvement. There is, perhaps, no class of persons by whom newspapers are read with more avidity, than the insane, and none, upon whom they exert more beneficial effects. They dissipate gloomy feelings—excite salutary emotions, and give repose to the mind in withdrawing it from its pre-occupation, and thus contribute in no small degree to the restoration of many.

To those associated with me as resident officers, I am under renewed obligations for the zeal, fidelity and ability, they have manifested in the discharge of their duties, and their unwearied co-operation in sustaining the great interests of this Institution.

Dr. A. Young, the former Assistant Physician, in consequence of circumstances, over which he had no control, resigned his office in July last. His qualifications, eminently adapted him to the position he occupied, and our associations were uniformly pleasant and harmonious. He has my best wishes for his happiness and good fortune through life.

The vacancy has been filled in accordance with your will, by the appointment of Dr. W. T. Lincoln, of Illinois. The energy and ability with which he has met the responsibilities of his office, and his devotion to the cause of humanity have fully equalled my highest expectations, and give assurances of great and continued usefulness.

To the various attendants and assistants now in the Asylum, my thanks are due for the industrious and faithful manner in which they have discharged the duties assigned them. To their intelligence, kindness and persevering efforts for the welfare of the patients, we are much indebted for the success which has attended our labors.

To your Honorable Body I desire to express my grateful acknowledgments for the kindness and indulgence you have uniformly shown me in my official labors, and my high appreciation of your zealous and successful efforts to elevate the character and promote the prosperity of this Institution.

In entering upon the duties of another year, with your continued assistance, counsel and advice, it shall be my supreme object to aim at the highest standard of excellence, in endeavoring to advance its greatest interests—and in order that the means used for the accomplishment of this design may be crowned with success, it becomes our duty to invoke the blessing and continued guardianship of an All-wise and Ever-ruling Providence.

T. B. H. SMITH,

Sup't and Physician State Lunatic Asylum.

REPORT

OF

COMMITTEE TO SETTLE WITH THE AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND STATE TREASURER, AND TO EX- AMINE INTO THE CONDITION OF THE OF- FICE OF REGISTER OF LANDS.

To the General Assembly of the State of Missouri :

The undersigned committee, consisting of one member of the Senate and two members of the House of Representatives, appointed by the Governor, to settle with the Auditor of Public Accounts and Treasurer of State, and to examine the office of Register of Lands ; beg leave to make the following

REPORT :

The committee entered upon the discharge of their duties, by a thorough examination and inspection of the various books of the present Auditor, and the mode and manner in which the same were kept, throughout the various ramification of accounts of every character, and we can cheerfully bear testimony to their neatness and correctness. We further add, that we were greatly facilitated in our labors, by finding that the books of the Auditor and Treasurer corresponded in every particular : and the manner in which they have been kept, entitles said officers and clerk to the highest credit. We also feel under many obligations to the officers for their gentlemanly bearing throughout our examinations, finding them at all times ready to afford us any and all information in making a full and perfect examination of the varied business of their departments.

Upon examination of the Treasury Department, we find the Treasurer is chargeable as follows, to-wit :

To amount of receipts from October 1st, 1852, to September	
30th, 1854, inclusive.....	\$1,304,226 17
Amount of balance in the Treasury on the first of Oct. 1852,	415,983 94
	\$1,720,210 11

The Treasurer is entitled to the following credits: amount of warrants redeemed from 1st October, 1852, to 30th Sept., 1854...\$1,223,830 26
 Amount of Wolf Scalps burnt by the committee of 1852..... 3,818 50 \$1,227,643 76

\$492,566 35

The balance in the Treasury on the first of October, 1854, consists of the following items :

Wolf Scalp certificates, as per count of committee.....	\$1,359 50
Certificates of deposit in the Bank of Missouri	412,867 32
Land office certificates.....	2,035 71
State Bonds.....	19,869 59
Cash in the Vault.....	58,934 23

\$492,566 35

The Treasurer has received from October 1st, 1854, to December 31st, 1854, inclusive.....	\$80,396 70
And has redeemed warrants in the same period, amounting to	31,432 20

Balance.....	\$48,964 50
Which consists of Deposit in Bank.....	\$29,943 33
Cash in the Vault.....	19,021 17
	\$48,964 50

The committee would also beg leave to bring to the notice of the Legislature, and urge upon that body, the propriety of having filed in the Auditor's office, and having the same cancelled, the above land certificates amounting to the sum two thousand and thirty-five dollars and seventy-one cents, and also the above State bonds, amounting to the sum of nineteen thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine dollars and fifty-nine cents, and that said Auditor be authorized to issue a warrant in favor of said Treasurer for the amount thereof. They were originally transferred by the late Peter G. Glover, Treasurer, to the present Treasurer, and have been repeatedly examined by former committees up to the present period.

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. T. COFFEE,

Of the Senate.

NATHAN MOTHERSEAD,

WM. S. MOSELEY,

Of the House of Representatives.

REPORT
OF THE
COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR
TO EXAMINE INTO THE STATE AND CONDITION
OF
THE BANK OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI
AND ITS BRANCHES,
TO THE
EIGHTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

To the General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

The undersigned, a committee appointed by his Excellency, the Governor, to examine into the State and condition of the Bank and its Branches, respectfully submit the following

REPORT:

That they met at the Banking House of the Bank of the State of Missouri in the City of St. Louis, on the 10th day of October, 1854, and immediately proceeded to the discharge of the duties assigned them.

The examination was made with every precaution deemed essential to a full and complete investigation of all matters deemed proper to be enquired into; and after mature consideration, the Committee agreed on such interrogatories as they thought best calculated to elicit the information desired, they sought in this way, to avoid the necessity of a lengthy report—and accordingly they propounded to the President of the Mother Bank, and also to each of the Presidents of the different Branches, certain interrogatories, all of which have been satisfactorily answered, with perhaps, one exception, which may be taken to the interrogatory propounded to the Mother Bank in relation to the rate of interest made by said Bank in the purchase of Sight and Time bills of Exchange. The answer to said interrogatory is less explicit than we could wish, but the Committee cannot suppose that the Bank had any other design than to make the answer given, full and satisfactory—and the Committee here take pleasure in stating that in all matters of enquiry and examination touching the Bank and its Branches, the conduct of the officers was such as greatly to facilitate our action, and to render our duties comparatively easy and agreeable.

The Committee on examination of the books of the Bank and its Branches, found the same to correspond with the statements furnished them. See exhibit 'A.' The Bank notes on hand in each Bank, were subjected to an actual count by the Committee. The gold coin was chiefly in bags, some of which were indiscriminately selected, and found by actual count, to contain the amount they purported to contain. The remainder was ascertained by weight and inspection to be correct as reported. The same course was pursued with the silver coin, the greater portion of which was in boxes. The possession of the vaults of the Bank and its Branches, was in every instance promptly surrendered to the Committee during the time of their examination; and they feel warranted in asserting positively,

that the amount purporting to be in each vault, was found, by the most careful examination, to be correct.

The Committee find, on inspection of a tabular statement furnished by the officials of the Bank (a copy of which marked 'L,' and herewith exhibited,) that during the period of two years commencing on the 1st November, 1852, and ending on the 1st day of November, 1854, there were occasions when the coin in the Parent Bank was reduced to an amount less than a prudent precaution would, in the estimation of the Committee, justify warrant. It is true, and it is proper it should be stated, that at the time, (in the first quarter of 1854,) the amount of coin was lowest, to-wit; in the month of February last, (when it was reduced to the sum of \$70,650 89,) there was then, as it appears from the statement marked 'J,' and herewith filed, the sum of \$517,861 44 in Sight Exchange, and the sum of \$904,442 92, in Time Exchange—the Sight Exchange is, as we understand, deemed by Bankers, equal in the ordinary commercial relations of society, to coin or specie funds.

It is inferrable from the facts furnished, that the Directors in dealing thus largely in Exchange, were, as the Committee think, over anxious to make large profits for the State, and for the individual stockholders. Whether the policy pursued by the Directors in investing so much of the specie means of the Bank in exchange was prudent or wise, may well be doubted.

The large dividends made by the Bank in July, 1853, January '54 and July of the same year, which will appear from statement 'B,' herewith exhibited, show conclusively that the means of the Bank must have been actively used in the purchase of Time and Sight bills. It has been mainly in this way that the Bank has been enabled to declare dividends equal to 16 per cent. per annum net.

The use of the means of the Bank involves the exercise of a large discretion, but the Committee very much doubt whether that discretion will justify the extent to which those means appear to have been applied in the purchase of Exchange. In this connection we deem it proper to call attention to those provisions of the charter, having special reference to this branch of the subject—they are to be found in sections 19 and 30, of the charter —. In section 19 it is provided that:

"The President and Directors of said Bank shall have power to commence on or before the first day of June next, and do business in the buying and selling, and otherwise dealing in bills of Exchange, Checks and Drafts upon either the public or private deposits, or any other funds which may, for the time being, be in the possession or under the control of the said Bank; and the said President and Directors, may on or before the time last aforesaid, commence doing such discount business on the funds in the possession or under the control of said Bank as aforesaid, as may be consistent with the interest and well being of said Bank."

And in section 30 the provision is that "the said Bank shall not employ at any time, more than one half of the capital stock in dealing in bills of Exchange." The Committee respectfully suggest that these provisions of the charter, may admit of doubt as to the question whether the Bank has exceeded the limit within which it would seem to be the design of the Legislature to restrict the action of the Directors in all matters respecting Exchange.

The Committee find on an examination of the answers and the accom-

panying exhibits in the case of the Branch at Palmyra, that a large portion of the capital of said Branch, has been used in dealing in bills of Exchange; while the accommodation to the public in the way of discounts, has been very limited—thus evidencing, in some degree, as the Committee think, a disregard of the spirit and design of the Legislature, which must be understood as creating the Bank, not for the special benefit of the few, but with the view to the welfare of the whole community.

The Committee would most respectfully refer the General Assembly to the documents accompanying this report, consisting of interrogatories, exhibits, &c., showing the condition of the Bank and its Branches, more fully and satisfactorily than could be done by mere reference to, or partial analysis of the same, all of which is respectfully submitted.

THOMAS S. RICHARDSON,
Of the Senate.

G. W. GOODE,
C. H. FROST,
Of the House of Representatives.

PARENT BANK.

ST. LOUIS, MO., November 13th, 1854.

BERNARD PRATTE, Esq.,

President of the Bank of the State of Missouri:

The undersigned, a Committee appointed by the Governor of the State of Missouri, to examine into the state and condition of the Bank of Missouri and its Branches, would respectfully submit to you the following interrogatories, and request answers to the same, at your earliest convenience:

1st. What amount of stock is owned by the State of Missouri in the Bank of the State of Missouri?

2nd. What is the present marketable value of the stock of the Bank of the State of Missouri?

3d. What amount of Bonds of the State of Missouri, have been sold at any time for the purpose of investing the proceeds in the capital stock of the Bank? Please give us a tabular statement of the several sales made and amounts realized from said sales.

4th. What compensation, if any, has been paid by the State to the Bank or any of its agents, for the sale of the Bonds above referred to?

5th. How often has the Bank declared dividends since it commenced operations? Give us a tabular statement of the dividends, with the dates and amounts of each, also the aggregate amount received by the State from the Bank, in the shape of dividends.

6th. What amount has the Bank ever received from the State, for services as fiscal agent, and what is the aggregate of interest charged the State upon coupons, taken up by the Bank?

7th. Give a statement of the losses of the Bank of every description, sustained by her since she commenced operations, including forgeries, abstractions, overdrafts, losses or other Bank paper, &c.?

8th. What disposition has been made of the Illinois bonds and certificates held by the Bank at the last examination, and what is the amount of those funds held by the Bank at this time?

9th. What is the amount and condition of your "suspended debt?" Give us a tabular statement of the same, discriminating between those you consider good, and those that are doubtful or entirely lost?

10th. What are the liabilities of the President and each Director of the Bank, either as payer, endorsers or drawers, for the last two years? Give us a quarterly statement of the same, together with the aggregate amount of their liabilities within the same time.

11th. What is the number of salaried officers attached to the Bank? Give us the amount of salary and bond of each.

12th. What is the aggregate of your expenses for the last two years? Furnish us a statement of the same in detail.

13th. What real estate does the Parent Bank own, and what is its value?

14th. What have been your net profits for the last two years, and what is the aggregate of net profits since you commenced business?

15th. What is the entire circulation of the Parent Bank, and what is the circulation of the several Branches at this time?

16th. Does the Parent Bank redeem the notes of the Branches at her counter, if so, what rule has been adopted, by which the Branches are required to redeem the same?

17th. What is the proportion of coin on hand, considered with reference to your outstanding circulation, and excepting therefrom the amount of private deposits, at any time since the establishment of the institution?

18th. Has this Bank sustained any loss by forgeries, or overdrafts? if so, state the amount, &c.

19th. Has this Bank any rule in regard to the accommodation to individuals or firms? if so, state what it is.

Furnish us with a quarterly statement for the last two years, commencing October 1st, 1852, and ending October 1st, 1854, as follows:

20th. Of the amount invested by said Bank in sight, as well as time bills of Exchange.

21st. The earnings of said Bank growing out of the purchase of bills as aforesaid.

22nd. The rate of interest made by said Bank in the purchase of sight and time bills, per annum.

23d. The rate of interest made in discounting notes per annum.

24th. The amount made by selling sight Exchange.

25th. The amount lost in buying time and sight bills.

26th. A weekly statement of the amount of coin on hand at said Bank; give instances in which the coin of the Bank was at its lowest point, at any time since the establishment of the institution.

27th. A weekly statement of the circulation of said Bank.

28th. The amount made by said Bank in selling coin? if any sold.

29th. The amount of Exchange bought of Brokers weekly, distinguishing between the time and sight Exchanges?

30th. The amount of notes discounted weekly, payable in Exchange? And the amount of discounts done by this Bank monthly, at the South or East, say since December 1st, 1850.

Respectfully,

THOMAS S. RICHARDSON,
CYRUS H. FROST,
G. W. GOODE.

**THE BANK OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, }
St. Louis, 26th December, 1854. }**

To the Honorable GEO. W. GOODE, THOMAS S. RICHARDSON and CYRUS H. FROST, Committee, &c.

Gentlemen: I beg leave to submit, herewith, answers to the interrogatories propounded by you under date of 13th November last, (received 27th November,) which answers have been approved by the Board of Directors. They may be incomplete, and if so deemed, I need not add that any information required, will be promptly given.

Owing to the labor necessarily required in preparing the various tables connected with the answers, I have not, on that account, been able to forward them at an earlier day:

Answer to first question.

The amount of stock owned by the State in the Bank of the State of Missouri is nine hundred and fifty-four thousand two hundred and five dollars twenty-two cents, (\$954,205 22.)

Answer to second question.

The present value of the stock is believed to be par.

Answer to third question.

The amount of bonds of the State sold for the purpose of investing in capital stock of the Bank is three hundred and sixty-two thousand dollars (\$362,000,) see tabular statement marked 'A.'

Answer to fourth question.

No compensation has been made by the State to the Bank in effecting the sale of bonds above referred to.

In the sale of bonds to De Ligardi & Co., the current rate of exchange between New York and London, was allowed by the Bank.

A portion of the bonds, issued for capital of the Bank, under amendments to charter, amounting to \$1,230,000, were taken to Europe in 1839 by John Smith, Esq., the then President and Agent of the Bank, for the purpose of negotiating a sale, but which agency proved ineffectual; and for his services in this matter he was allowed six thousand dollars, on the award of Messrs. J. B. Brant, P. Chouteau, jr., and Edward Tracy, to whom the claim was referred for arbitration, in addition to his salary of \$1,500 per annum, and expenses \$550, making \$8,050; the Bank at the same time allowing one thousand dollars to the President pro. tem., for his services.

Answer to fifth question.

For dividends declared by the Bank, statement 'B' will show.

of their liabilities within the same

Answer to sixth question.

The Bank, as fiscal agent of the State, has never charged the State for services. The aggregate amount of interest charged to, and paid by the State to the Bank upon coupons taken up amounts to the sum of \$36,642 91 as allowed by commissioners appointed to settle with the Bank under an act of the General Assembly of the State, approved February 28, 1851.

Answer to seventh question.

The losses, of every description, sustained by the Bank since its commencement are shown by statement marked 'C.'

Answer to eighth question.

All the bonds and certificates of the Banks of Illinois held by the Bank at the preceding examination, have been sold yielding an average of about 66 per cent.

Answer to ninth question.

For amount and condition of the suspended debt reference is made to statement marked 'D.'

Answer to tenth question.

The quarterly liabilities of President and Directors of the Bank are exhibited by statement 'E.'

Answer to eleventh question.

The salaried officers of the Bank are fourteen in number, viz:

President, with a salary of \$2,500 per annum.

Cashier, salary \$3,000 per annum, bond \$75,000.

Teller, salary \$2,250 " " " \$20,000.

Specie Teller, salary \$1,850 per annum, bond \$10,000.

Discount Clerk, salary \$2,250 " " " \$10,000.

General Ledger Book-keeper, salary \$1,650, bond \$10,000.

Two Individual Ledger Book-keepers, salary \$1,650 each, bond \$10,000 each.

Note Clerk, salary \$1,500 per annum, bond \$20,000.

Assistant Clerk, salary \$1,500 per annum, bond \$10,000.

Bank Attorney, " \$1,000 " " " \$10,000.

Porter & Messenger, salary \$700 per annum, bond \$5,000.

Two Watchmen, salary \$500 per annum each, bond \$2,000 each.

Notary, who receives fees, bond \$10,000,

In addition to his fees the Notary is allowed a compensation of \$350 per annum, for extra duties performed for the Bank.

Answer to twelfth question.

For a detailed account of the expenses of the Bank see statement 'F.'

APPENDIX.

Answer to thirteenth question.

The real estate owned by the Bank consists of the following, viz:

Banking House and Lot in block No. 13, valued at.....	\$65,000
Lot in block No. 14, valued at.....	5,000
Two lots in suburb St. George, valued at.....	1,500
1,200 acres of land in the State of Illinois, valued at.....	1,500
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	\$73,000

Answer to fourteenth question.

Tabular statement marked 'G' shows the net profits for the past two years, and the aggregate amount of profits since the commencement.

Answer to fifteenth question.

The circulation of Parent Bank and Branches is shown by table 'H.'

Answer to sixteenth question.

Under a resolution of the Board, adopted in June, 1841, the Parent Bank was required to redeem, at its counter, the circulation of its Branches. A rule was adopted in November, 1851, requiring the Branches to redeem their circulation, and to adjust balances monthly; the operation of this rule has been found inconvenient for, and it has not been carried out by the Branches.

Answer to seventeenth question.

The proportion of coin on hand considered with reference to outstanding circulation is shown by statement 'I.'

Answer to eighteenth question.

Reference is made to statement 'C.'

Answer to nineteenth question.

The Board of Directors adopted a rule on the 9th of November, 1854, limiting the aggregate liability of individuals or firms to \$100,000.

For answers to the 20th, 21st, 22d and 23d questions, see statement 'J.'

Answer to twenty-fourth question.

The amount made by selling Sight Exchange is shown by statement 'K.'

Answer to twenty-fifth question.

The Bank has sustained no loss on the purchase of Sight bills of exchange. Of Time bills purchased in the past two years, \$16,750 hitherto considered as doubtful, have been settled, the balance, \$18,250 is a loss.

Answer to twenty-sixth question.

For a weekly statement of coin on hand reference is made to table 'L.

Answer to twenty-seventh question.

A weekly exhibit of outstanding circulation is shown by statement 'M.'

Answer to twenty-eighth question.

The amount made by the Parent Bank in selling coin, from 1st of November, 1852, to 1st of November, 1854, is \$6,485.

Answer to twenty-ninth question.

A weekly statement of the amount of exchange bought from brokers is exhibited by table 'N.'

Answer to thirtieth question.

For amount of notes discounted weekly, and payable in exchange, see statement 'O.' And for amount of discounts done by Parent Bank monthly, at the South, (none having been done East,) reference is made to statement 'P.'

Respectfully submitted,
BERNARD PRATTE, *President.*

APPENDIX.

EXHIBIT "A."

CONDITION of the Bank of the State of Missouri at St. Louis, on the 16th October, 1854.

Dr.	Cr.
Branch at Fayette for capital.....	Capital stock owned by the State.....
" Palmyra, ".....	Capital stock owned by Individuals.....
" Cape Girardeau, ".....	
" Springfield, ".....	Due deposits.....
" Lexington, ".....	Dividends unpaid.....
	Interest and exchange.....
Bills discounted.....	Surplus.....
Exchange matured.....	Since 30th June.....
Exchange maturing.....	
Real estate.....	Contingent fund.....
Bills receivable.....	Due to Banks.....
James L. D. Morrison, agent.....	Circulation.....
Suspended debt.....	
Expense account.....	
Protest account.....	
Due from Banks.....	
Bank notes on hand of Branches.....	
" " Parent Bank.....	
Specie on hand.....	
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A. S. ROBINSON, Cashier.

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TABLE **TABULAR STATEMENT of State Bonds sold by the Bank, proceeds of which were invested by the State in Stock of the Bank.**

Date of Bond and nego- tiation.	No. sold.	To whom sold.	Amount of Rate of each Bond interest.	When payable.	Where payable.	Amount realised from sales.	Remarks.
August 4, 1837,.....	36	War Department U. S.,.....	\$1000	25 yrs after neg.	New York,	\$35,000 00	State's subscription to capital stock of bank. do. do. do. do.
October 23, 1837,.....	18	do.	1000	do.	do.	18,000 00	
November 25, 1837,.....	10	do.	1000	do.	do.	10,000 00	
August 7, 1837,.....	100	John J. Astor, N. Y.,.....	1000	do.	do.	100,000 00	
May 1, 1838,.....	100	De Lizardi & Co., London,	1000	do.	London,.....	100,000 00	
September 1, 1838,.....	99	Prime, Ward & King, N. Y.,	1000	do.	do.	99,000 00	
						\$362,000 00*	
* Of this amount was invested in Stock Saline Fund,.....						\$85,904 80	
And invested in Stock Seminary Fund,.....						8,831 60	
State Stock held in her own right,.....						\$272,283 60	

APPENDIX.

(B)

TABULAR STATEMENT of the Dividends declared by the Bank of the State of Missouri, from 1st January, 1838, to 6th July, 1854, inclusive.

No.	Date.	Rate.	Amount.	Dividends paid to the State.
1	January 1, 1838	3 per ct.	\$18,212 96	\$18,280 96
2	July 3, 1838	4 "	30,597 50	24,009 50
3	January 8, 1839	6½ "	61,048 57	50,498 62
4	July 2, 1839	7 "	71,131 33	58,049 03
5	January 7, 1840	8½ "	39,163 59	31,598 21
6	July 7, 1840	8 "	34,553 50	27,891 90
7	January 11, 1842	8½ "	41,272 90	33,922 76
8	" 10, 1843	8 "	36,007 94	29,241 30
9	July 17, 1845	8 "	38,003 08	29,855 63
10	January 16, 1846	4 "	48,015 84	38,784 14
11	July 20, 1846	8½ "	42,033 58	33,397 18
12	January 15, 1847	5 "	60,066 32	48,328 06
13	July 12, 1847	5 "	60,094 98	47,710 26
14	January 11, 1848	5½ "	60,228 21	48,336 53
15	July 13, 1848	5 "	60,300 53	47,710 26
16	January 16, 1849	5½ "	63,428 78	50,730 67
17	July 12, 1849	5 "	60,423 19	47,710 26
18	" 12, 1850	6 "	72,525 11	57,888 68
19	January 10, 1851	6 "	72,547 90	57,889 62
20	July 15, 1851	5 "	60,474 78	47,710 26
21	January 19, 1852	5½ "	63,516 07	50,734 83
22	July 8, 1852	6 "	72,610 89	57,252 22
23	January 13, 1853	5½ "	63,557 69	50,736 82
24	July 18, 1853	7 "	84,988 51	66,794 35
25	January 12, 1854	10 "	121,540 52	96,073 52
26	July 6, 1854	7 "	85,078 36	66,794 26
			1,519,367 58	1,212,431 03

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*STATEMENT of all Losses of the Bank of the State of Missouri,
from the commencement of the Bank to November 1st, 1854.*

Loss on notes discounted,.....		\$82,504 94
do on Bills of Exchange,.....		84,120 02
do by Overdrafts,.....		17,243 89
LOSS BY BANKS, VIZ:		
Check Commercial Bank New Orleans, on Agricultural Bank, Natchez, 1838,.....	\$900 00	
Check Merchants' Bank Baltimore, on Bank of Commerce, N. York, 1848,.....	2,000 00	
Commercial Bank, New Orleans, 1842,.....	1,523 61	
		4,513 61
LOSS BY FORGERIES, VIZ:		
Two forged certificates deposit, 1843,.....	1,540 00	
Forged endorsement of check, 1840,.....	1,375 00	
Forged check by postmaster, Carrollton, Mo., 1843,.....	1,000 00	
Forged note discounted January, 1843,.....	600 00	
		4,515 00
GOLD COIN LOST IN TRANSIT:		
To New York, January, 1840,.....		21,469 42
FALSE ENTRY BY ROBERT BREEZE:		
Individual Ledger, book-keeper, February 22d, 1839,.....	4,000 00	
do do do October, 1839,.....	2,000 00	
		6,000 00
LOSS AND COMMISSION ON 1,200 DOLLARS:		
Bank United States' notes, April, 1847,.....		63 00
Abstraction discovered 15th August, 1849,....		120,961 02
Refunded Columbus Insurance Company, amount paid by them for insurance on steamboat, "Marshal Ney," the policy having been vitiated,.....		6,282 58
Refunded Franklin Insurance Company for same as above,.....		4,000 00
Loss on Real Estate taken in payment of debt of Lee & Martin,....		2,005 00
Loss on Banking House and Lot at Jackson,.....		3,540 14
Judgment in case of Childs vs. Brant and other Directors of the Bank,.....		2,743 33
Judgment in case of Childs vs. W. S. Williams, Bank Attorney and J. E. Yeatman, Bank Director,.....		2,418 96
LOSS BY ILLINOIS BANKS IN 1844:		
Settled by certificates in full for the amount due, amounting to,.....	208,818 33	
Loss on sales of said certificates,.....	80,678 80	
Balance of the account of James L. D. Morrison, agent for the sale of certificates,.....	\$18,108 03	
Which is real estate unsold and loss on certificates, deduct value of real estate unsold,.....	1,500 00	16,608 03
		97,281 33
		\$459,658 33

(D)

SUSPENDED DEBT of the Bank of the State of Missouri on the 1st November, 1854.

Payers.	Endorsers.	When Due.	Amount.	Remarks.
D. T. Card.....	J. Steinaker.....	May 25, 1854...	\$875 00	Good.
do	do	May 4, 1854....	750 00	Good.
Dana & Co.....	Charles Dana.....	June 30, 1854...	10,000 00	Doubtful.
do	do	July 19, 1854...	5,000 00	do
do	do	July 22, 1854...	5,000 00	do
do	do	August 2, 1854	5,000 00	do
do	do	August 10, 1854	5,000 00	do
do	do	August 20, 1854	5,000 00	do
Lloyd Jetter.....	C. Dubois.....	March 26, 1851	107 50	Good.
Ed. Kennedy.....	Jno. Kelley, Scott & Otis.....	March 12, 1849	50 00	Good.
Lackland.....	Dent & B. B. Edmonson.....	1848	1,194 65	Good.
John Lorenz.....	Kennard Fink, Adam Horn.....	August 10, 1852	500 00	Bad.
A. Johnson.....	W. Manuel, White & Co., N. O...	Sept. 11, 1850	2,000 00	Doubtful.
L. Pickering.....	W. P. Penn, E. R. Mason, D. } A. Magehan.....	June 30, 1849..	1,020 50	Good.
August Philibert..	A. H. Jenkins & Bro.....	March 15, 1853	698 25	Good.
do	do	April 28, 1853.	568 10	Good.
do	do	May 10, 1853...	510 00	Good.
Wm. Taylor.....	Albert Jones.....	Dec. 5, 1849....	400 00	Good.
John D. Hill.....	Henry Hestling.....	Oct. 21, 1854...	122 00	Since paid.
G. C. Schaumburg	Ed. C. Mills.....	Oct. 19, 1854...	1,000 00	Since paid.
	Forged Check.....	July 3, 1850....	2,200 00	Doubtful.
	Forged Check.....	Oct. 28, 1850...	500 00	do
	Specie short.....	May 2, 1853....	199 24	do
			\$47,690 24	

Since November 1, 1854, we have received on account of suspended debt, \$18,057 15, of which \$16,750 00 were denominated doubtful.

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QUARTERLY liabilities of the President and Directors of the Bank members, from September 30th, 1852,

Names of Directors & firms of which they are members.	Date of Qualification	Nature of Liability.	4th quarter 1852.	1st quarter 1853.	2d quarter 1853.
Girard B. Allen,.....	Jan. 29 1853	Payer,			
same		Endorser,			
Gaty, McCune & Co.,.....		Payer,		\$3,412 12	
same		Endorser,		2,876 47	
Robert A. Barnes,.....		Payer,		4,884 65	
same		Endorser,	\$10,788 07	27,222 98	\$12,425 05
Harry J. Bodley,.....		Payer,	5,000 00		1,015 00
same		Endorser,	6,868 87	9,768 15	4,848 18
Wm. T. Christy,.....		Payer,		2,300 00	2,750 00
same		Endorser,			
Woods, Christy & Co.,.....		Payer,	428 40		
same		Endorser,	200 00	14,191 75	7,870 00
John C. Degenhart,.....	Jan. 29 1853	Payer,			
same		Endorser,			
John P. Helfenstein,.....	Feb. 10 1853	Payer,			
same		Endorser,			
Helfenstein & Gore,		Payer,		13,452 32	24,858 28
same		Endorser,			5,845 07
Helfenstein, Gore & Co.,.....		Payer,			
same		Endorser,			
D. A. January,.....	Jan. 29 1853	Payer,			
same		Endorser,			5,000 00
D. A. January & Co.		Payer,		22,475 19	19,772 57
same		Endorser,		12,381 77	10,474 89
Andrew Krug,.....	Mar. 15 1853	Payer,			
same		Endorser,			
Braun, Krug & Co.,		Payer,		1,929 70	1,598 00
same		Endorser,			
J. B. S. Lemoine,.....	Jan. 29 1853	Payer,		3,215 60	3,244 00
same		Endorser,		804 75	6,599 24
Bernard Pratte,.....		Payer,	7,500 00	6,800 00	6,700 00
same		Endorser,	4,120 00		
Joseph A. Sire,.....	Dec. 27 1852	Payer,			
same		Endorser,		1,000 00	5,828 40
P. Chouteau, Jr., & Co.,		Payer,			
same		Endorser,		9,182 31	5,175 00
Thos. L. Sturgeon,.....	Jan. 29 1853	Payer,			1,200 00
same		Endorser,			
Sturgeon & Brother,.....		Payer,			
same		Endorser,			610 00
Rawlings & Sturgeon,.....		Payer,		2,000 00	6,982 00
same		Endorser,		620 01	4,118 00
Alfred Vinton,.....	Jan. 29 1853	Payer,			
same		Endorser,			1,015 67
D. M. Hitchcock & Co.,.....		Payer,		3,864 96	7,533 27
same		Endorser,		5,000 00	
Edward Walsh,.....	Aug. 14 1854	Payer,			
same		Endorser,			

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of the State of Missouri, Saint Louis, and of the firms of which they are to September 30th, 1854, inclusive.

3rd quarter 1853.	4th quarter 1853.	1st quarter 1854.	2nd quarter 1854.	3rd quarter 1854.	Liabilities incurred as payers & endorsers during their term of service.	Total liabilities of directors and firms incurred during their term of service.	Present liability of the directors & of their firms on last day of 3d qr. of 1854.
	\$1,275 70	•	\$2,880 00	\$5,100 00	\$9255 70		\$2500 00
		\$6,000 00			6000 00		
\$1,818 32	1,017 40	5,403 51	4,440 41	7,711 79	23803 55		8586 67
	16,185 67	14,451 24	8,887 04	9,972 97	51373 89	\$90482 64	6378 58
					4834 65		
46,400 67	19,944 85	61,808 57	28,992 74	85,002 83	242080 76	246415 41	31540 06
1,800 00	2,250 00	1,800 00		4,860 75	16225 70		1880 75
8,924 81	6,457 75	5,595 39	8,000 00	7,785 92	53248 57	69474 27	6235 92
5,607 28	8,020 00	4,600 00	8,066 38	2,300 00	23643 66		2300 00
				100 00	100 00		
	17,150 00	18,046 98	19,899 82	9,805 62	59825 32		8850 00
1,015 00	23,709 42	7,187 93	8,000 00	13,088 73	75212 88	158781 81	18088 73
				8,323 69	3323 69		1823 69
2,500 00			2,000 00		4500 00	7823 69	
		887 08			887 08		
22,009 88	13,997 12	4,208 48			78116 08		
3,314 26	4,028 11	8,848 88			16535 82		
		8,125 29	26,658 55	12,827 10	47610 94		9638 93
		2,305 25	7,618 95	4,561 62	14485 82	157185 74	1116 49
		117 97			117 97		
	1,608 55				6608 55		
36,820 08	37,842 16	28,259 93	29,679 05	26,559 83	220908 81		13582 72
10,953 58	9,866 01	24,279 44	12,747 44	25,271 89	105475 02	833110 85	15390 15
2,918 58	555 68	4,849 85	12,968 75		24815 56		
1,850 31	5,650 59	6,159 19	8,762 17	2,753 80	20176 06	44991 62	1792 51
1,243 72	135 01		2,000 00	3,630 88	18469 21		2700 06
3,393 90	1,086 41	6,105 75	769 84	2,335 73	21195 12	34664 83	1404 85
9,000 00	8,000 00	16,706 84	8,000 00	11,000 00	73206 84		3000 00
		1,850 00	245 95		5715 95	78922 70	
	1,468 70				1468 70		
5,100 00	200 00	1,000 00	850 00		18978 40		
4,172 33	4,247 15	1,578 48	5,261 04		15259 00		
25,659 69	78,670 06	35,859 85	37,329 46		252825 87	288526 97	
2,000 00	110 00				3310 00		
		4,050 00	8,500 00	1,500 00	9050 00		1500 00
948 84		9,564 64	10,018 25	10,000 00	30531 73		7000 00
1,480 00			1,622 10		812 10		
8,823 75	10,948 85				28704 60		
5,102 49	8,184 87	1,244 85			14220 22	89528 65	
		8,887 40			3887 40		
10,000 00	10,823 26	16,500 00	3,876 88		42215 81		
					11398 23		
2,289 48	500 00	1,200 89			8989 87	66491 81	
				8,000 00	8000 00	8000 00	8000 00

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EXPENSE ACCOUNT of the Bank of the State of Missouri—St. Louis.

[Year 1852.]

No. 118	Paid for watering street and labor;.....	\$1 50
114	" Blank book and Telegraph dispatch;.....	65
115	" St. Louis Gas Light Co., bill of Gas,.....	13 65
116	" do do do	17 30
117	" Am. Express Company from Philadelphia;.....	18 25
118	" Steel pens;.....	50
119	" Salary J. M. Hughes, President, 2 months;.....	250 00
120	" do A. S. Robinson, Cashier, 1 month;.....	208 33
121	" do J. C. Way, Teller, 1 month;.....	116 66
122	" do W. G. Bullock, Specie Teller, 1 month;.....	116 66
123	" do R. F. Barry, Discount Clerk, 1 month;.....	108 33
124	" do George Stiles, Book-keeper, 1 month;.....	108 33
125	" do L. Phipps, do 1 do	108 33
126	" do G. O. Atherton, do 1 do	108 33
127	" do F. Flach, Assistant Clerk, 1 do	100 00
128	" do F. W. Kausel, Note Clerk, 1 do	83 33
129	" do T. Heffernan, Porter, 1 do	50 00
180	" do T. D. Henschen, Watchman, 1 do	40 00
181	" do Walter Burke, do 1 do	40 00
182	" do A. H. Buckner, Attorney, 1 do	50 00
183	" Drayage of coin,	1 90
184	" Lexington Express, advertising state of Bank, July, 1852;.....	6 00
185	" J. B. Wells, for prosecuting claim in California;.....	250 00
186	" St. Louis Gas Light Co., bill of Gas;.....	23 55
187	" A. C. Williamson, bill repairs on desks and door;.....	10 17
188	" repairing pavement;.....	2 25
189	" McMurray & Pealey, 1 Vault Lock;.....	33 50
140	" repairing Hydrant,	6 50
141	" subscription to Missouri Republican and advertising;.....	25 00
142	" Postage;.....	90
143	" subscription for St. Louis Times, 3½ months;.....	2 35
144	" do do do 6 months;.....	4 00
145	" Telegraph, 1 75; Coin Calender, 1 20;.....	2 95
146	" Salary J. M. Hughes, President, 1 month;.....	125 00
147	" do A. S. Robinson, Cashier, 1 do	208 33
148	" do J. C. Way, Teller, 1 do	116 66
149	" do W. G. Bullock, Specie Teller, 1 month;.....	116 66
150	" do Geo. Stiles, Book-keeper, 1 month;.....	108 33
151	" do G. O. Atherton, do 1 do	108 33
152	" do L. Phipps, do 1 do	108 33
153	" do R. F. Barry, Discount Clerk, 1 month;.....	108 33
154	" do F. Flach, Assistant Clerk, 1 do	100 00
155	" do F. W. Kausel, Note Clerk, 1 do	83 33
156	" do T. Heffernan, Porter, 1 do	50 00
157	" 80 bushels Coal and Telegraphic dispatch;.....	13 45
158	" Freight on 2 boxes Specie from New Orleans;.....	5 00
159	" Telegraph dispatch;.....	1 50
160	" Salary A. H. Buckner, Attorney, 1 month;.....	50 75
161	" do W. Burke, Watchman, 1 do	40 00
162	" do T. D. Henschen, do 1 do	40 00
Expenses from 1st November, 1852, to 31st December, 1852;.....		\$3,293 22

EXPENSE ACCOUNT—Continued.

[Year 1853.]

No.	1	Paid T. Heffernan, washing towels for use of Bank,.....	\$9 44
2	2	" Post Office bill, Gas Light bill and 80 bushels coal,.....	64 82
3	3	" Fisher & Bennett, bill of Stationery,.....	86 13
4	4	" A. H. Shultz & Co., do do	40 55
5	5	" Advertising and subscription to St. Louis Union, 1 year,.....	24 47
6	6	" J. Beakey, bill stove pipe, tin gutters &c.,.....	23 47
7	7	" S. F. Summers, 8 trunks,	4 50
8	8	" 1 piece crash for towels,.....	1 80
9	9	" Advertising and subscription to St. Louis Intelligencer,.....	12 50
10	10	" 160 bushels coal and Telegraph dispatch,.....	20 35
11	11	" 70 bushels coal,.....	8 20
12	12	" A. H. Buckner, Attorney, for extra compensation allowed in suit against N. Childs, Jr., and other cases,.....	200 00
13	13	" Salary J. M. Hughes, President, 28 days,	112 50
14	14	" J. C. Way, additional compensation for extra labor,.....	100 00
15	15	" Subscription to Evening News,.....	2 66
16	16	" Notary for swearing in Directors and President,.....	8 00
17	17	" Salary A. S. Robinson, Cashier, 1 month,.....	208 33
18	18	" do J. C. Way, Teller, 1 do	116 66
19	19	" do W. G. Bullock, Specie Teller, 1 month,.....	116 66
20	20	" do L. Phipps, Book-keeper, 1 do	108 33
21	21	" do Geo. Stiles, do 1 do	108 33
22	22	" do R. F. Barry, Discount Clerk, 1 do	108 33
23	23	" do G. O. Atherton, Book-keeper, 1 do	108 33
24	24	" do F. Flach, Assistant Clerk, 1 do	100 00
25	25	" do F. W. Kausel, Note Clerk, 1 do	83 33
26	26	" do T. Heffernan, Porter, 1 do	60 00
27	27	" do W. Burke, Watchman, 1 do	40 00
28	28	" do T. D. Henschen, do 1 do	40 00
29	29	" do A. H. Buckner, Attorney, 1 do	60 00
30	30	" Keemle & Hager, paper and printing,	8 75
31	31	" St. Louis Gas Light Co., bill Gas,	18 30
32	32	" mending windows of Bank,.....	2 10
33	33	" Banker's Magazine,	5 00
34	34	" E. M. Ryland, services in suit of Bank vs Childs,.....	260 00
35	35	" making foot stand and repairing lock,	2 75
36	36	" 1 fire-proof Iron Safe,	130 25
37	37	" Acknowledging Deed,	75
38	38	" Labor on specie,	1 50
39	39	" Sponge, 75; Drayage, 50,.....	1 25
40	40	" 1 box Candles,	12 90
41	41	" Advertising state of Bank in Brunswick,.....	6 00
42	42	" Telegraph dispatch,.....	2 00
43	43	" A. H. Buckner, salary, 18 days,	30 00
44	44	" Archiving Deed, 1 00; 1 box pens, 1 00,.....	2 00
45	45	" 80 bushels coal,.....	7 70
46	46	" Advertising state of Bank in Jeffersonian,	6 00
47	47	" A. S. Robinson, Cashier, salary 1 month,.....	208 33
48	48	" J. C. Way, Teller, do 1 do	116 66
49	49	" W. G. Bullock, Specie Teller, salary 1 month,.....	116 66
50	50	" L. Phipps, Book-keeper, do 1 do	108 33
51	51	" R. F. Barry, Discount Clerk, do 1 do	108 33
52	52	" Geo. Stiles, Book-keeper, do 1 do	108 33
53	53	" G. O. Atherton, do do 1 do	108 33
54	54	" F. Flach, Assistant Clerk, do 1 do	100 00
55	55	" F. W. Kausel, Note Clerk, do 1 do	66 66
56	56	" A. M. Anderson, do do 14 days,.....	88 50
57	57	" T. Heffernan, Porter, do 1 month,.....	50 00
58	58	" T. D. Henschen, Watchman do 1 do	40 00
59	59	" W. Burke, do 1 do	40 00
60	60	" Keemle & Hager, bill stationery and printing,.....	63 25
61	61	" Sweeping brush &c.,	2 55
62	62	" Advertising state of Bank in Platte Argus,	6 00

EXPENSE ACCOUNT—Continued.

[Year 1853.]

No. 63	Paid St. Louis Gas Light Co., bill Gas,.....	\$14 35
64	" Repairing clock,	13 00
65	" W. L. Williams, Attorney, salary 14 days,	25 00
66	" Telegraph dispatch, &c.,.....	3 36
67	" Subscription to St. Louis Union,	5 35
68	" Express charge from Philadelphia,	2 00
69	" A. S. Robinson, Cashier, salary 1 month.....	250 00
70	" J. C. Way, Teller, do 1 do	154 16
71	" W. G. Bullock, Specie Teller, salary 1 month.....	154 16
72	" R. F. Barry, Discount Clerk, do 1 do	154 16
78	" Geo. Stiles, Book-keeper, do 1 do	137 50
74	" L. Phipps, do do 1 do	137 50
75	" F. Flach, Assistant Clerk, do 1 do	125 00
76	" J. W. Stith, Note Clerk, do 1 do	138 88
77	" T. Heffernan, Porter, do 1 do	54 16
78	" T. D. Henschen, Watchman, do 1 do	41 66
79	" Steel pens, &c.,.....	1 75
80	" W. Burke, Watchman, salary 1 month.....	41 66
81	" W. L. Williams, Attorney, salary 1 month.....	66 66
82	" Postage bill.....	34 30
83	" G. O. Atherton, Book-keeper, salary 1 month.....	137 50
84	" St. Louis Gas Light Co., bill Gas.....	17 30
85	" watering street 1 00, 1 pitcher 1 50.....	2 50
86	" Springfield Advertiser, advertising state of Bank.....	12 00
87	" Advertising notice in Democrat.....	5 00
88	" do do St. Louis Union.....	6 66
89	" 8 boxes for papers.....	1 00
90	" blanket for Ice.....	1 50
91	" Keemle & Hager, printing 500 copies Bank charter.....	67 50
92	" A. S. Robinson, Cashier, salary 1 month.....	250 00
93	" J. C. Way, Teller, do 1 do	154 16
94	" Geo. Stiles, Book-keeper, do 1 do	137 50
95	" R. F. Barry, Discount Clerk, salary 1 month.....	154 17
96	" L. Phipps, Book-keeper, do 1 do	137 50
97	" G. O. Atherton, do do 1 do	137 50
98	" J. W. Stith, Note Clerk, do 1 do	125 00
99	" F. Flach, Assistant Clerk, do 1 do	125 00
100	" T. Heffernan, Porter, do 1 do	54 16
101	" W. Burke, Watchman, do 1 do	41 66
102	" T. D. Henschen, do do 1 do	41 66
103	" Advertising in Anzeiger des Westens,.....	5 00
104	" Gas Light Co., bill of Gas.....	14 30
105	" W. L. Williams, Attorney, salary 1 month.....	66 66
106	" Telegraph dispatch.....	2 36
107	" W. G. Bullock, Specie Teller, salary 1 month.....	154 16
108	" 1 dozen brooms.....	1 25
109	" watering street.....	1 00
110	" Advertising state of Bank in Lexington Express.....	6 00
111	" B. Pratte, expenses to Bellville, on business of Bank.....	2 80
112	" B. Pratte, President, salary from 29th January to 30th April...	458 23
113	" cleaning yard and Banking house.....	4 85
114	" A. S. Robinson, Cashier, salary 1 month.....	250 00
115	" J. C. Way, Teller, do 1 do	154 16
116	" R. F. Barry, Discount Clerk, salary 1 month.....	154 16
117	" Geo. Stiles, Book-keeper, do 1 do	137 50
118	" G. O. Atherton, do do 1 do	137 50
119	" J. W. Stith, Note Clerk, do 1 do	125 00
120	" F. Flach, Assistant Clerk, do 1 do	125 00
121	" T. Heffernan, Porter, do 1 do	54 16
122	" T. D. Henschen, Watchman, do 1 do	41 66
123	" W. Burke, do do 1 do	41 66
124	" Telegraph dispatch and scrubbing Bank.....	5 40
125	" W. L. Williams, Attorney, salary 1 month.....	66 66

EXPENSE ACCOUNT—Continued.

[Year 1853.]

No. 126	Paid L. Phipps, Book-keeper, salary one month,.....	\$1375 0
127	" Telegraph dispatch,.....	1 50
128	" Subscription to New Orleans Bulletin,.....	12 00
129	" St. Louis Gas Light Company, bill gas,.....	12 97
130	" Pitchers and labor,.....	4 25
131	" Telegraph to Philadelphia,.....	1 50
132	" Advertising Bank Report in Howard County Banner,.....	6 00
133	" Telegraph dispatch,.....	5 80
134	" Fisher & Bennett, bill stationery,.....	57 20
135	" Telegraph dispatch to New York,.....	3 25
136	" Chambers & Knapp, advertising,.....	41 50
137	" Keemle & Hager, bill printing and stationery,.....	32 50
138	" Seven gross steel pens,.....	11 80
139	" Advertising in Evening News,.....	15 00
140	" W. G. Bullock, Specie Teller, salary,.....	231 25
141	" Boxes for dimes,.....	3 15
142	" A. S. Robinson, Cashier, salary one month,.....	250 00
143	" W. I. Williams, Attorney, do do.....	66 66
144	" A. H. Shultz, bill stationery,.....	74 50
145	" Fees, Clerk of Court,.....	1 60
146	" do do do.....	24 25
147	" B. Pratte, President, salary two months,.....	333 33
148	" J. C. Way, Teller, do one.....	154 16
149	" R. F. Barry, Discount Clerk, salary one month,.....	154 16
150	" L. Phipps, Book-keeper, do do.....	137 50
151	" G. Stiles, do do do.....	137 50
152	" G. O. Atherton, do do do.....	137 50
153	" J. W. Smith, Note Clerk, do do.....	125 00
154	" F. Flach, Assistant Clerk, do do.....	125 00
155	" T. McAdam, Specie Teller, do do.....	77 08
156	" T. Hetternan, Porter, do do.....	54 16
157	" T. D. Henschen, Watchman, do do.....	41 66
158	" W. Burke, do do do.....	41 66
159	" Washing towels for use of Bank,.....	10 56
160	" Postage bill,.....	29 50
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		\$11,447 98
Credits to expense account,.....		35 35
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Amount of expenses from January 1st to 30th June 1853,....		\$11,412 53

[Year 1853.]

No. 1	Paid express charge on one keg specie,.....	\$21 40
2	" Bill St. Louis Gas Light Company,.....	12 31
3	" Watering Street,.....	1 20
4	" Subscription to St. Louis Intelligencer, six months,.....	12 50
5	" A. C. Williamson, repairing stools and door,.....	5 00
6	" Advertising notice in Democrat,.....	1 00
7	" Repairing desk and drawers,.....	3 25
8	" Drayage, specie kegs,.....	75
9	" Lime,.....	2 25
10	" Power of Attorney in Philadelphia,.....	2 00
11	" Advertising Bank Report in Missouri Courier,.....	6 00
12	" W. L. Williams, Attorney, salary one month,.....	66 66
13	" Telegraph dispatch,.....	1 00
14	" A. S. Robinson, Cashier, salary one month,.....	250 00
15	" J. C. Way, Teller, do do.....	154 16
16	" T. McAdam, Specie Teller, salary one month,.....	154 16
17	" R. F. Barry, Discount Clerk, do do.....	154 16
18	" L. Phipps, Book-keeper, do do.....	137 50
19	" G. O. Atherton, do do do.....	137 50

EXPENSE ACCOUNT—Continued.

[Year 1853.]

No. 20	Paid J. W. Stith, Note Clerk, salary one month,.....	\$125 00
21	" F. Flach, Assistant Clerk, do do	125 00
22	" T. Heffernan, Porter, do do	54 16
23	" T. D. Henschen, Watchman do do	41 66
24	" W. Burke, do do do	41 66
25	" Charges per express, &c.,.....	3 00
26	" Cooperage of specie kegs,.....	4 85
27	" J. McDonough, Notary,.....	29 16
28	" Geo. Stiles, Book-keeper, salary one month,.....	137 50
29	" B. Pratte, President, do do	166 66
30	" Specie boxes,.....	2 50
31	" St. Louis Gas Light Company, bill gas,.....	12 97
32	" Sheriff's fees for taking depositions,.....	4 00
33	" Advertising Bank Report in Platte Argus,.....	6 00
34	" Six dozen lead pencils,.....	3 75
35	" Blanket for ice.....	1 60
36	" Advertising in Anzeiger des Westens,.....	1 50
37	" Advertising Bank Report in Jefferson Examiner,.....	6 00
38	" Business Directory,.....	1 00
39	" S. T. Gover, Attorney, in suit Bank vs. Childs,.....	300 00
40	" R. A. Matersons, for spittoons,.....	3 00
41	" T. D. Henschen, Watchman, salary one month,.....	41 65
42	" A. S. Robinson, Cashier, do do	250 00
43	" T. McAdam, Specie Teller, do do	154 16
44	" G. Stiles, Book-keeper, do do	137 50
45	" R. F. Barry, Discount Clerk, do do	154 16
46	" L. Phipps, Book-keeper, do do	137 50
47	" G. O. Atherton, do do do	137 50
48	" J. W. Stith, Note Clerk, do do	125 00
49	" F. Flach, Assistant Clerk, do do	125 00
50	" W. Burke, Watchman, do do	41 66
51	" T. Heffernan, Porter, do do	54 16
52	" Telegraph dispatch,.....	1 45
53	" J. C. Way, Teller, salary one month,.....	154 16
54	" B. Pratte, President, salary one month,.....	166 67
55	" J. McDonough, Notary,.....	29 16
56	" Subscription St. Louis Intelligencer, six months,.....	12 50
57	" St. Louis Gas Light Company, bill gas,.....	14 30
58	" W. L. Williams, Attorney, salary one month,.....	66 66
59	" Watering street,.....	1 05
60	" Keemle & Hager, printing and paper,.....	37 50
61	" Advertising and subscription to Missouri Democrat,.....	24 00
62	" Drayage on specie,.....	1 25
63	" A. S. Robinson, Cashier, salary one month,.....	250 00
64	" B. Pratte, President, do do	166 66
65	" T. McAdam, Specie Teller, salary one month,.....	154 16
66	" R. F. Barry, Discount Clerk, do do	154 16
67	" G. O. Atherton, Book-keeper do do	137 50
68	" G. Stiles, do do do	137 50
69	" L. Phipps, do do do	137 50
70	" J. W. Stith, Note Clerk, do do	125 00
71	" T. Heffernan, Porter, do do	54 16
72	" W. Burke, Watchman, do do	41 66
73	" T. D. Henschen, do do do	41 66
74	" J. C. Way, Teller, do do	154 16
75	" J. McDonough, Notary,.....	29 66
76	" Water license, one year,.....	10 00
77	" W. L. Williams, Attorney,.....	66 66
78	" F. Flach, Assistant Clerk,.....	125 00
79	" St. Louis Gas Light Company, bill gas,.....	12 97
80	" Watering street,.....	1 00
81	" Postage bill,.....	39 25
82	" Hasslager & Peterson, ice from April to September,.....	42 00
83	" Bankers' Magazine and Almanac,.....	6 00

EXPENSE ACCOUNT—Continued.

[Year 1853.]

No. 84	Paid Eighty bu-hels coal,.....	\$13 00
85	" Three hundred and eighty-nine bushels coal,.....	60 55
86	" W. L. Williams, Attorney, salary one month,.....	66 6
87	" A. S. Robinson, Cashier, do do	250 00
88	" Strapping specie boxes,.....	1 65
89	" J. C. Way, Teller, salary one month,.....	154 16
90	" T. McAdam, Specie Teller, salary one month,.....	154 16
91	" R. F. Barry, Discount Clerk, do do	154 16
92	" L. Phipps, Book-keeper, do do	137 50
93	" G. Stiles, do do do	137 50
94	" G. O. Atherton, do do do	137 50
95	" J. W. Stith, Note Clerk, do do	125 00
96	" F. Flach, Assistant Clerk, do do	125 00
97	" J. McDonough, Notary, do do	29 66
98	" T. Heffernan, Porter, do do	54 16
99	" T. D. Henschen, Watchman, do do	41 66
100	" W. Burke, do do do	41 66
101	" S. T. Glover, Attorney fees,.....	30 00
102	" Labor on coal,.....	2 25
103	" B. Pratte, president, salary one month.....	166 67
104	" J. S. Johnston, bill ice.....	9 90
105	" Warner & Merritt, one fire-sett.....	7 00
106	" St. Louis Gas Light Company bill.....	18 65
107	" Sheriff fees.....	18 33
108	" T. Williams, making carpet.....	8 75
109	" watering streets.....	1 25
110	" advertising Bank report in Brunswicker.....	6 00
111	" do do in Howard County Banner.....	6 00
112	" G. R. Smith, attorney fees, Bank vs. Brown's estate.....	50 00
113	" Sheriff fees.....	2 50
114	" Weslard & Russell, carpenter work.....	50 90
115	" repairing lock.....	2 00
116	" one sweeping brush.....	1 50
117	" carpet for Directors' room.....	98 50
118	" express charges.....	50
119	" A. S. Robinson, cashier, salary one month.....	250 00
120	" J. C. Way, teller, salary one month.....	154 16
121	" T. McAdam, specie teller, salary one month.....	154 16
122	" R. F. Barry, discount clerk, do do do	154 16
123	" L. Phipps, book-keeper, do do do	137 50
124	" G. Stiles, do do do do	137 50
125	" G. O. Atherton, do do do do	137 50
126	" J. W. Stith, nota clerk, do do do	125 00
127	" F. Flach, assistant clerk, do do do	125 00
128	" T. Heffernan, porter, do do do	54 16
129	" T. D. Henschen, watchman, do do do	41 66
130	" W. Burke, do do do do	41 66
131	" Express charges.....	4 35
132	" B. Pratte, president, salary one month.....	166 67
133	" W. L. Williams, attorney, salary one month.....	66 68
134	" J. McDonough, notary.....	29 66
135	" Postage stamps.....	65
136	" Gas Light Company bill gas.....	16 30
137	" Telegraph dispatch.....	8 98
138	" do do	8 10
139	" Painting and papering Cashier's room.....	34 85
140	" Telegraph dispatch.....	8 85
141	" Repairing chair.....	3 50
142	" Repairing iron safe.....	12 50
143	" three trunks.....	15 25
144	" Telegraph dispatch.....	5 85
145	" Specie kegs.....	2 00

EXPENSE ACCOUNT—Continued.

[Year 1853.]

No. 146	Paid Subscription and advertising Missouri Republican.....	\$25 00
147	" Telegraph dispatch.....	2 90
148	" three mats.....	4 50
149	" Specie kegs.....	4 00
150	" W. L. Williams, attorney, salary one month.....	66 67
151	" S. T. Glover, fees.....	4 50
152	" One specie box.....	1 00
153	" Washing towels for use of Bank.....	9 00
154	" Screw-driver and file.....	95
155	" B. Pratte, President, salary one month.....	166 67
156	" A. S. Robinson, Cashier, salary one month.....	250 00
157	" J. C. Way, Teller, do 1 do.....	154 16
158	" T. McAdam, specie teller, do 1 do.....	154 16
159	" R. F. Barry, discount clerk, do 1 do.....	154 16
160	" L. Phipps, book-keeper, do 1 do.....	137 50
161	" G. O. Atherton, do do 1 do.....	137 50
162	" G. Stiles, do do 1 do.....	137 50
163	" J. W. Stith, note clerk, do 1 do.....	125 00
164	" F. Flach, assistant clerk, do 1 do.....	125 00
165	" T. Heffernan, porter, do 1 do.....	54 16
166	" Subscription to Evening News, six months.....	4 00
167	" Specie keg.....	2 00
168	" W. Burke, watchman, salary one month.....	41 66
169	" T. D. Henschen, watchman, salary one month.....	41 66
170	" Fisher & Bennett, bill stationery.....	7 50
171	" J. McDonough, Notary.....	29 66
Credits to Expense account.....		11,819 16
		2 51
Nett expenses for six months, ending 31st December, 1853.....		11 816 65

[Year 1854.]

No... 1	Paid Telegraph and Carriers address.....	\$3 30
2	" St. Louis Gas Light Co., bill gas.....	14 25
3	" A. Shultz & Co., bill stationery.....	55 55
4	" Recording deed.....	2 50
5	" J. B. Wells, attorney, for attending to claim against W. Stales.....	100 00
6	" D. & J. Beakey, tin gutters and repairing.....	20 20
7	" Telegraph dispatch.....	5 20
8	" Postage bill.....	36 41
9	" Advertising notice in Anzeiger des Westens.....	3 00
10	" Repairing gas pipes.....	5 00
11	" Sponge and ticket file.....	1 25
12	" A. S. Robinson, Cashier, salary one month.....	250 00
13	" Advertising Bank Report in Mo Courier.....	6 00
14	" J. C. Way, Teller, salary one month.....	154 16
15	" T. McAdam, specie teller, salary one month.....	154 16
16	" R. F. Barry, discount clerk do 1 do.....	154 16
17	" L. Phipps, book-keeper, do 1 do.....	137 50
18	" G. Stiles, do do 1 do.....	137 50
19	" G. O. Atherton, do do 1 do.....	137 50
20	" F. Flach, assistant clerk, do 1 do.....	125 00
21	" J. W. Stith, note clerk, do 1 do.....	125 00
22	" T. Heffernan, porter, do 1 do.....	54 16
23	" T. D. Henschen, watchman, do 1 do.....	41 66
24	" W. Burke, watchman, do 1 do.....	41 66
25	" J. McDonough, Notary.....	29 66
26	" Sheriff's fees.....	1 50
27	" Berrard Pratte, President, salary one month.....	208 33
28	" St. Louis Gas Light Co., bill gas.....	12 26

EXPENSE ACCOUNT—Continued.

[Year 1854.]

No. 29	Paid W. L. Williams, attorney, salary one month.....	\$66 67
30	" Copies of deeds.....	4 65
31	" Subscription and advertising in St. Louis Intelligencer.....	4 90
32	" Do do.....	2 10
33	" One umbrella stand.....	2 00
34	" Fuller's telegraphic calculator.....	6 00
35	" Telegraph dispatch.....	2 00
36	" Cleaning windows of Bank.....	3 50
37	" Telegraph dispatch and Express charges.....	9 46
38	" Do do.....	3 15
39	" 80 bu. coal and telegraph dispatch.....	15 15
40	" Telegraph dispatch to New York and New Orleans.....	13 54
41	" Expenses in sending to Branches.....	180 00
42	" Freight on specie from New Orleans.....	20 00
43	" Telegraph dispatches.....	15 10
44	" Do do.....	8 50
45	" Do do.....	21 35
46	" Do do.....	13 60
47	" Specie kegs.....	6 00
48	" A. S. Robinson, Cashier, salary one month.....	250 00
49	" J. C. Way, Teller, do 1 do.....	154 16
50	" T. McAdam, specie teller, do 1 do.....	154 16
51	" R. F. Barry, discount clerk, do 1 do.....	154 16
52	" G. Stiles, book-keeper, do 1 do.....	137 50
53	" L. Phipps, do do 1 do.....	137 50
54	" G. O. Atherton, do do 1 do.....	137 50
55	" F. Flach, assistant clerk, do 1 do.....	125 00
56	" J. W. Smith, note clerk, do 1 do.....	125 00
57	" T. Heffernan, Porter, do 1 do.....	54 16
58	" W. Burke, Watchman, salary one month.....	41 66
59	" T. D. Henschen, do do.....	41 66
60	" Telegraph Dispatch.....	2 75
61	" J. McDonough, Notary.....	29 66
62	" W. L. Williams, Attorney salary one month.....	66 67
63	" St. Louis Gas Light Co. bill gas.....	11 12
64	" Telegraph Dispatches.....	19 12
65	" Do do.....	5 10
66	" Do do.....	2 50
67	" Advertising Bank Report in Brunswicker.....	6 00
68	" Telegraph Dispatch.....	5 00
69	" Subscription and advertising in Mo. Democrat.....	24 00
70	" Telegraph Dispatch.....	4 85
71	" B. Pratte, President, salary one month.....	208 33
72	" Advertising Bank Report in Howard Co. Banner.....	6 00
73	" Telegraph Dispatch.....	3 21
74	" One ream letter paper.....	3 00
75	" Telegraph Dispatch.....	7 15
76	" 79 bushels coal.....	8 61
77	" Telegraph Dispatch.....	6 86
78	" Specie kegs.....	4 00
79	" Crackers.....	90
80	" One Cheese.....	1 25
81	" One box steel pens.....	2 00
82	" Sheriff's fees.....	8 75
83	" A. S. Robinson, Cashier, salary one month.....	250 00
84	" W. L. Williams, Attorney, do do.....	83 33
85	" J. C. Way, Teller, do do.....	154 16
86	" T. McAdam, specie Teller do do.....	154 16
87	" R. T. Barry, discount clerk, do do.....	154 16
88	" L. Phipps, Book-keeper do do.....	137 50
89	" G. O. Atherton, do do do.....	137 50
90	" G. Stiles, do do do.....	137 50
91	" J. W. Smith, note clerk, do do.....	125 00

EXPENSE ACCOUNT—Continued.

[Year 1854.]

No. 92	Paid F. Flach, assistant clerk, salary, one month.....	\$125 00
93	" W. Burke, watchman, do 1 do	41 66
94	" T. Heffernan, porter do 1 do	58 33
95	" T. D. Henschen, watchman, do 1 do	41 66
96	" J. McDonough, Notary, do 1 do	29 66
97	" Drayage and soap.....	4 25
98	" Repairing plastering.....	1 50
99	" Advertising in Evening News.....	31 25
100	" B. Pratte, President, salary, one month	208 34
101	" St. Louis Gas Light Co., bill gas.....	14 54
102	" Post Office bill.....	27 45
103	" One port folio.....	1 00
104	" 80 bushels coal.....	10 10
105	" Fees Clerk Court Common Pleas.....	3 00
106	" A. S. Robinson, Cashier, salary, one month.....	250 00
107	" J. C. Way, Teller, do 1 do	154 16
108	" T. McAdam, specie teller, do 1 do.....	154 16
109	" R. F. Barry, discount clerk, do 1 do.....	154 16
110	" L. Phipps, book-keeper, do 1 do.....	137 50
111	" G. Stiles, do do 1 do.....	137 50
112	" G. O. Atherton, do do 1 do.....	137 50
113	" J. W. Stith, note clerk, do 1 do.....	125 00
114	" F. Flach, assistant clerk, do 1 do.....	125 00
115	" T. Heffernan, porter, do 1 do.....	58 33
116	" T. D. Henschen, watchman, do 1 do.....	41 66
117	" Walter Burke, do do 1 do.....	41 66
118	" Advertising Report of Bank, letter paper.....	17 40
119	" B. Pratte, President, salary one month.....	208 33
120	" J. McDonough, Notary.....	29 66
121	" St. Louis Gas Light Co., bill gas.....	13 26
122	" Watering streets two months	2 25
123	" Advertising Bank Report in Springfield Advertiser.....	12 00
124	" Postage stamps.....	1 60
125	" Keemle & Hager, printing and paper.....	42 50
126	" Laborer cleaning rooms.....	2 50
127	" Advertising Report of Bank in Lexington Express.....	6 00
128	" Betts & Conway, papering Cashier's room.....	24 70
129	" One piece crash for towels.....	3 13
130	" Jury fees.....	3 00
131	" G. Stiles, book-keeper, salary.....	137 50
132	" Notary for affidavit.....	50
133	" Subscription to New Orleans Com. Bulletin.....	12 00
134	" A. S. Robinson, Cashier, salary one month	250 00
135	" J. C. Way, Teller, do 1 do.....	154 16
136	" B. Pratte, President, do 1 do.....	208 33
137	" R. F. Barry, discount clerk, do 1 do.....	154 16
138	" T. McAdam, specie teller, do 1 do.....	154 16
139	" L. Phipps, book-keeper, do 1 do.....	137 50
140	" G. O. Atherton, do do 1 do.....	137 50
141	" F. Flach, assistant clerk, do 1 do.....	125 00
142	" J. W. Stith, note clerk, do 1 do.....	125 00
143	" W. Burke, watchman, do 1 do.....	41 66
144	" T. D. Henschen, do do 1 do.....	41 66
145	" T. Heffernan, porter, do 1 do.....	58 33
146	" Drayage.....	1 60
147	" Fees Clerk Court Common Pleas.....	7 75
148	" Re-glazing windows.....	7 70
149	" Davis & Co., for ice.....	10 75
150	" Jas. McDonough, Notary.....	29 66
151	" Watering street.....	1 50
152	" Carpenter work.....	5 00
153	" Advertising Bank Report.....	6 00
154	" Telegraph dispatch.....	2 40
155	" Do do	1 50
156	" Jury fees.....	3 50

EXPENSE ACCOUNT—Continued.

[Year 1854.]

No. 157	Paid St. Louis Gas Light Co., bill gas.....	\$11 10
158	" Subscription to Evening News.....	4 00
159	" W. L. Williams, attorney, salary two months.....	166 67
160	" Repairing blinds.....	7 00
161	" B. Pratte, President, salary one month.....	208 33
162	" Freight on specie from New Orleans.....	12 50
163	" Specie keg.....	3 00
164	" Advertising and subscription, St. Louis Republican.....	33 25
165	" Telegraph dispatch.....	2 30
166	" Toppin, Carpenter & Co., printing drafts.....	86 25
167	" T. D. Henschen, watchman, salary one month.....	41 66
168	" A. S. Robinson, Cashier, do 1 do.....	250 00
169	" J. C. Way, Teller, do 1 do.....	187 50
170	" T. McAdam, specie teller, do 1 do.....	154 16
171	" R. F. Barry, discount clerk, do 1 do.....	187 50
172	" Geo. Stiles, book-keeper, do 1 do.....	137 50
173	" L. Phipps, do do 1 do.....	137 50
174	" G. O. Atherton, do do 1 do.....	137 50
175	" F. Flach, assistant clerk, do 1 do.....	125 00
176	" J. W. Stith, note clerk, do 1 do.....	125 00
177	" T. Heffernan, porter, do 1 do.....	58 33
178	" J. McDonough, Notary.....	29 66
179	" Specie boxes and drayage.....	12 73
180	" W. Burke, watchman, salary one month.....	41 65
181	" Washing towels for use of Bank.....	10 31
182	" A. H. Shultz & Co., bill stationery.....	156 45
Credits to Expense account.....		12,314 53
		87 45
Net expenses for six months ending 30th June, 1854.....		12,227 08

[Year 1854.]

No. 1	Paid Post office bill,.....	\$38 18
2	" Box for notes,.....	10 00
3	" Fisher & Bennett, bill stationery,.....	26 40
4	" W. L. Williams, attorney, salary one month,.....	83 33
5	" Telegraph dispatch,.....	2 15
6	" St. Louis Gas Light Company, bill gas,.....	9 90
7	" St. Louis Intelligencer, advertising and subscription,.....	51 50
8	" City Directory and Banker's Almanac,.....	4 90
9	" B. Pratte, President, salary one month,.....	208 33
10	" 800 lbs. ice,.....	8 00
11	" Express charges,.....	8 50
12	" J. C. Way, Teller, salary one month,.....	187 50
13	" A. S. Robinson, Cashier, salary one month,.....	250 00
14	" R. F. Barry, Discount Clerk, salary one month,.....	187 50
15	" T. McAdam, Specie Teller, do do.....	154 16
16	" G. Stiles, Book-keeper, do do.....	187 50
17	" G. O. Atherton, do do.....	187 50
18	" L. Phipps, do do.....	137 50
19	" F. Flach, Assistant Clerk, do do.....	125 00
20	" T. Heffernan, Porter, do do.....	58 33
21	" T. D. Henschen, Watchman, do do.....	41 66
22	" W. Burke, do do.....	41 66
23	" Telegraph dispatch,.....	6 66
24	" W. L. Williams, attorney, salary one month,.....	83 33
25	" 800 lbs. ice.....	4 50
26	" J. W. Stith, Note Clerk, salary one month,.....	125 00

EXPENSE ACCOUNT—Continued.

[Year 1854.]

No. 27	Paid J. McDonough, Notary,.....	\$29 66
28	" St. Louis Gas Light Company, bill gas,.....	9 41
29	" Watering street and repairing table,.....	2 35
30	" Advertising Bank Report in Jefferson Examiner,.....	6 00
31	" Ice basket,.....	75
32	" Advertising Bank Report in Missouri Courier,.....	6 00
33	" do do do Platte Argus,.....	6 00
34	" Notary for affidavit,.....	1 00
35	" Telegraph dispatch,.....	3 35
36	" Advertising Bank Report in Howard County Banner,.....	6 00
37	" Advertising in Anzeiger des Westens,.....	1 50
38	" Specie box,.....	2 00
39	" Repairing curtains for desks,.....	10 17
40	" B. Pratte, president, salary one month,.....	208 32
41	" A. S. Robinson, Cashier, salary one month,.....	250 00
42	" J. C. Way, Teller, do do	187 50
43	" T. McAdam Specie Teller, do do	154 16
44	" R. F. Barry, Discount Cl'k. do do	187 50
45	" L. Phipps, Book-keeper do do	187 50
46	" G. O. Atherton, do do do	187 50
47	" G. Stiles, do do do	187 50
48	" F. Flach, Assistant Clerk, do do	125 00
49	" J. W. Stith, Note Clerk do do	125 00
50	" Stewart Carter, assistant clerk,.....	31 25
51	" J. McDonough, Notary,.....	29 66
52	" T. D. Henschen, Watchman, salary one month,.....	41 66
53	" T. Heffernan, Porter, do do	58 35
54	" W. L. Williams, attorney, do do	83 33
55	" W. Burke, Watchman, do do	41 66
56	" Watering street,.....	1 60
57	" St. Louis Gas Light Company, bill gas,.....	9 45
58	" Telegraph dispatch,.....	3 07
59	" John Backer, Watchman 8 nights,.....	10 66
60	" Telegraph dispatch,.....	6 50
61	" do do	6 50
62	" Advertising and subscription Missouri Democrat,.....	24 00
63	" Banker's Magazine and Notary's Manual,.....	7 50
64	" B. Pratte, President, salary one month,.....	208 33
65	" A. S. Robinson, Cashier, salary one month,.....	250 00
66	" J. C. Way, Teller, do do	187 50
67	" T. McAdam, Specie Teller, do do	154 16
68	" R. F. Barry, Discount Cl'k do do	187 50
69	" L. Phipps, Book-keeper, do do	187 50
70	" G. Stiles, do do do	187 50
71	" G. O. Atherton, do do do	187 50
72	" Stewart Carter, Assistant Clerk, salary one month,.....	125 00
73	" T. Heffernan, Porter,.....	58 35
74	" Advertising Bank Report in Brunswick,.....	6 00
75	" Express charge and drayage,.....	1 60
76	" Postage stamps,.....	60
77	" W. Burke, Watchman, salary one month,.....	41 66
78	" T. D. Henschen, do do do	41 66
79	" W. L. Williams, Attorney do do	83 33
80	" J. McDonough, Notary,.....	29 66
81	" Water license,.....	10 00
82	" J. W. Stith, Note Clerk, salary one month,.....	125 00
83	" Post office bill,.....	88 88
84	" Washing windows,.....	2 75
85	" St. Louis Gas Light Company, bill gas,.....	12 00
86	" 410 bushels coal,.....	55 00
87	" Advertising Bank Report in Cape Girardeau Eagle,.....	6 00
88	" Telegraph dispatch,.....	8 25

EXPENSE ACCOUNT—Continued.

[Year 1854.]

No. 89	Paid Postage stamps,.....	\$ 34
90	" Keemie & Hager, printing checks,.....	22 00
91	" Telegraph dispatch,.....	2 55
92	" B. Pratte, President, salary one month,.....	208 33
93	" Labor, removing furniture of room,.....	75
94	" Advertising Bank Report in Lexington Express,.....	6 00
95	" A. S. Robinson, Cashier, salary one month,.....	250 00
96	" J. C. Way, Teller, do do	187 50
97	" T. McAdam, Specie Teller, do do	154 16
98	" R. F. Barry, Discount Cl'k do do	187 50
99	" G. Stiles, Book-keeper, do do	187 50
100	" L. Phipps, do do	137 50
101	" G. O. Atherton, do do do	137 50
102	" J. W. Stith, Note Clerk, do do	125 00
103	" S. Carter, Assist Clerk, do do	125 00
104	" T. Heffernan, Porter, do do	68 35
105	" T. D. Henschen, Watchman do do	41 66
106	" Walter Burke, do do	41 66
107	" Repairing gas tubes,.....	15 87
108	" Carpenter work,.....	8 75
109	" W. L. Williams, Attorney, salary one month,.....	83 33
110	" Postage stamps,.....	12 00
111	" J. McDonough, Notary,.....	29 66
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Credits to expense account.....		\$8,221 99
		5 75
Net expenses from July 1st to November 1st, 1854,.....		<hr/>
		\$8,216 24

RECAPITULATION.

Net expenses from November 1st to December 31st, 1852,	- - - - -	\$3,298 22
do do do January 1st to 30th June, 1853,	- - - - -	11,412 53
do do do July 1st to 31st December, 1853,	- - - - -	11,816 65
do do do January 1st to 30th June, 1854,	- - - - -	12,227 08
do do do July 1st, to 1st November, 1854,	- - - - -	8,216 24
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		\$46,965 72

(G.)

STATEMENT showing the amount of annual net profits of Parent Bank and Branches from 8th May, 1837, to 1st November, 1854.

	Parent Bank.	Fayette.	Palmyra.	Jackson & Cape Girardeau.	Springfield.	Lexington.	Total Net Profits.
8th May to 31st December, 1837.....	Loss... 7,801 13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	96,662 84
" 31st December, 1838.....	88,814 18	6,848 16	.....	.....	.....	.....	119,811 75
" 31st December, 1839.....	104,614 89	12,468 89	2,727 97	.....	.....	.....	57,170 89
" 31st December, 1840.....	45,580 31	9,086 89	2,508 19	.....	.....	.....	64,244 80
" 31st December, 1841.....	52,075 86	7,739 88	4,428 56	.....	.....	.....	72,828 55
" 31st December, 1842.....	60,963 76	6,889 11	4,975 68	.....	.....	.....	64,518 66
" 31st December, 1843.....	47,319 59	12,774 06	4,553 70	171 81	.....	.....	148,666 82
" 31st December, 1844.....	118,675 98	14,175 59	10,548 87	3,746 31	1,425 12	.....	128,946 83
" 31st December, 1845.....	76,619 32	14,944 18	11,859 85	8,371 02	9,876 94	7,275 52	142,256 23
" 31st December, 1846.....	78,353 70	15,408 00	11,906 77	10,002 55	11,310 89	15,214 82	166,021 45
" 31st December, 1847.....	100,229 05	14,186 86	11,564 24	10,404 89	11,711 51	17,974 00	180,323 12
" 31st December, 1848.....	68,994 09	18,334 12	9,038 57	10,051 28	9,909 35	18,895 71	168,815 46
" 31st December, 1849.....	94,284 39	15,209 80	7,892 98	10,500 77	11,167 86	19,780 17	186,028 81
" 31st December, 1850.....	119,526 16	14,740 16	9,611 86	10,722 89	11,388 11	20,065 18	174,538 40
" 31st December, 1851.....	112,521 56	18,789 51	9,658 67	10,673 61	10,592 17	17,297 88	188,481 88
" 31st December, 1852.....	122,265 43	18,385 17	11,256 57	10,892 93	9,805 67	16,876 11	256,686 25
" 31st December, 1853.....	186,978 66	12,194 28	16,521 53	17,152 59	10,097 97	18,971 27	188,494 17
" 30th June, 1854.....	102,127 92	9,034 50	6,308 75	7,158 48	4,912 80	8,953 72	79,326 59
" 1st November, 1854.....	57,177 73	5,368 16	3,820 76	5,502 44	3,272 59	4,689 91	2,862,611 50
	1,632,103 43	212,132 27	138,371 02	111,570 57	105,420 47	163,018 74	\$2,862,611 50

The aggregate net profits of the Bank and Branches, from May, 1837, to 1st November, 1854, amount to..... \$2,862,611 50
Of this amount, the Mother Bank has made, since 31st December, 1852, to 1st November, 1854..... 846,284 81

(H)

*CIRCULATION of the Bank of the State of Missouri and Branches,
1st November, 1854.*

PARENT BANK.					
Notes' denomination.....	10's		\$135,650		
do do	20's		812,700		
do do	50's		849,100		
d. do	100's		939,800	\$1,787,250	
BRANCH AT FAYETTE.					
Notes' denomination.....	10's	\$49,110			
do do	20's	147,100			
do do	50's	500			
do do	100's	88,600	225,810		
BRANCH AT PALMYRA.					
Notes' denomination.....	10's	18,970			
do do	20's	166,840			
do do	50's	1,050			
do do	100's	7,700	194,860		
BRANCH AT CAPE GIRARDEAU.					
Notes' denomination.....	10's	87,320			
do do	20's	117,580			
do do	50's	28,000	177,900		
BRANCH AT SPRINGFIELD.					
Notes' denomination.....	10's	47,440			
do do	20's	71,440			
do do	50's	26,600	145,480		
BRANCH AT LEXINGTON.					
Notes' denomination.....	10's	71,880			
do do	20's	145,020			
do do	50's	21,100	237,500	990,550	
					\$2,727,800

(I)

STATEMENT showing the annual amount of specie on hand compared to outstanding circulation.

Date.	Circulation.	Specie.
December 31, 1838.....	\$661,950 00	\$691,070 26
December 31, 1839.....	410,740 00	562,903 04
December 31, 1840.....	184,200 00	406,684 06
December 31, 1841.....	198,870 00	162,843 55
December 31, 1842.....	812,450 00	832,722 46
December 31, 1843.....	781,080 00	1,260,294 75
December 31, 1844.....	798,880 00	1,504,596 00
December 31, 1845.....	1,202,670 00	863,200 35
December 31, 1846.....	920,580 00	1,008,626 80
December 31, 1847.....	1,391,480 00	1,803,558 59
December 31, 1848.....	1,522,770 00	1,914,384 99
December 31, 1849.....	1,549,350 00	1,541,002 80
December 31, 1850.....	1,505,300 00	744,365 67
December 31, 1851.....	1,154,900 00	841,285 85
December 31, 1852.....	1,348,330 00	835,444 32
December 31, 1853.....	1,561,710 00	596,412 44
December 28, 1854.....	1,283,470 00	868,649 07

(J)

QUARTERLY statement showing amount invested in Sight and Time Bills of Exchange, and the earnings growing out of the purchase of the same from September 30th, 1852, to September 30th, 1854, inclusive, by the Bank of the State of Missouri at Saint Louis.

	4th Quarter 1852.	1st Quarter 1853.	2nd Quarter 1853.	3rd Quarter 1853.	4th Quarter 1853.	1st Quarter 1854.	2nd Quarter 1854.	3rd Quarter 1854.
Sight Exchange.....	\$742,858 00	\$614,122 66	\$279,476 76	\$349,027 78	\$891,905 06	\$517,861 94	\$335,576 43	\$186,473 88
Time Exchange.....	496,408 89	606,603 58	626,264 84	690,269 83	1,371,683 61	904,442 92	1,189,700 73	924,190 87
Earnings	15,501 59	16,125 39	18,309 96	20,747 88	48,116 77	28,267 90	28,419 63	24,558 93

The rate of interest made in the purchase of Sight and Time Bills of Exchange six per cent. per annum "discount."

The rate of interest made in the discounting of notes, six per cent. per annum "discount."

(K).

STATEMENT of the amount made by the Bank of the State of Missouri, at St. Louis, by selling sight Exchange, from 1st November, 1862 to 1st November, 1864.

From 1st November, 1862, to 1st January, 1863,.....	\$1,575 37
" 1st January, 1863, to 1st January, 1864,.....	18,149 27
" 1st January, 1864, to 1st November, 1864,.....	16,560 28
Total,.....	\$31,285 00

(L)

A WEEKLY STATEMENT of coin on hand by the Bank of the State of Missouri, at St. Louis, from the first of November, 1852, to the first of November, 1854.

Nov 6, 1852,	810,261 98	June	4, 1853,	913,318 90	December 31,	1853,	935,412 44	July	29, 1854,	921,698 78	November 8, 1841,	116,867 26
do 18,	821,099 16	do	11,	1,087,386 20	January, 7,	1854,	376,712 51	August	5,	566,971 15	" 15,	95,888 18
do 20,	846,748 72	do	18,	1,069,588 56	do 14,	do	533,514 78	" 12,	" 494,481 74	" 22,	" 114,846 12	
do 27,	794,220 71	do	25,	1,124,996 87	do 21,	do	507,891 58	" 19,	" 456,143 00	" 29,	" 127,262 65	
Dec 4, do	827,235 26	do	30,	1,187,614 71	do 28,	do	551,587 86	" 26,	" 558,689 15	December, 6,	" 129,487 46	
do 11,	827,148 98	July	9,	1,127,650 00	February 2,	do	465,142 64	September 2,	" 13,	543,028 21	" 18,	158,068 10
do 18,	861,253 40	do	16,	1,277,996 11	do 11,	do	396,932 58	" 9,	" 554,223 48	" 20,	158,228 11	
do 24,	841,973 07	do	23,	1,202,965 87	do 18,	do	171,522 76	" 16,	" 516,227 18	" 27,	" 158,389 88	
do 31,	835,444 32	do	30,	1,022,790 20	do 25,	do	70,650 89	" 23,	" 612,807 85	" 31,	" 162,848 55	
January 8, 1853,	886,193 06	August	6,	970,590 80	March	4,	do	580,457 71	October 7,	do	January 10, 1842,	156,894 64
do 15,	957,359 75	do	13,	866,495 66	do 11,	do	502,588 88	October 7,	do	do	do	147,888 33
do 22,	938,782 27	do	20,	719,777 26	do 18,	do	472,260 47	" 14,	" 574,294 77	" 24,	" 148,661 18	
do 29,	907,579 00	do	27,	638,951 39	do 25,	do	525,850 51	" 21,	" 466,422 48	" 31,	" 141,390 65	
Feb 5, do	886,125 42	September 8,	do	596,148 88	April 1,	do	455,972 52	" 28,	" 417,521 80	February, 7,	" 143,809 75	
do 12,	865,329 19	do 10,	do	681,304 10	do 8,	do	439,146 86	Instances in which	the coin of	" 14,	" 132,064 07	
do 19,	849,655 27	do 17,	do	564,331 19	do 15,	do	561,571 91	the B'nk was at its	lowest p't	" 21,	" 125,580 72	
do 26,	893,159 42	do 24,	do	573,636 45	do 22,	do	651,748 77	June 5, 1837,	do	" 28,	" 112,884 81	
March	936,508 35	October 1,	do	540,038 61	do 29,	do	720,390 29	do 18,	do	March 7,	" 168,962 68	
do 12,	do	do 8,	do	510,741 88	do 6,	do	683,763 61	do 20,	do	" 14,	" 162,438 76	
do 19,	do	do 15,	do	578,576 08	do 13,	do	648,869 06	do 27,	do	" 19,	" 158,209 70	
do 26,	do	do 22,	do	600,156 29	do 20,	do	589,452 90	May 10, 1841,	do	" 28,	" 196,248 49	
April 2, do	762,871 68	do 29,	do	483,747 59	do 27,	do	565,554 89	do 17,	do	April 23,	" 193,640 30	
do 9,	694,715 47	November 5,	do	446,742 07	do 8,	do	406,559 85	June 21,	do	May 7,	" 178,858 80	
do 16,	719,418 04	do 12,	do	406,452 98	do 10,	do	562,687 21	do 28,	do	" 14,	" 162,482 10	
do 23,	643,471 16	do 19,	do	867,749 85	do 17,	do	713,568 98	do 30,	do	" 21,	" 165,885 10	
do 30,	733,971 23	do 26,	do	891,943 80	do 24,	do	789,984 19	October 4,	do	June 11,	" 189,697 56	
May 7, do	717,500 88	December 8,	do	335,595 88	do 30,	do	678,564 76	do 11,	do	" 18,	" 190,474 97	
do 14,	738,904 89	do 10,	do	291,680 30	do 8,	do	596,114 88	do 18,	do	" 25,	" 193,140 02	
do 21,	672,707 29	do 17,	do	861,787 64	do 15,	do	586,149 88	do 25,	do	do	" 182,768 91	
do 28,	775,310 14	do 24,	do	424,630 88	November 1,	do	117,989 06	do	do	do	" 117,989 06	

(M)

A WEEKLY STATEMENT of the outstanding Circulation of the Bank of the State of Missouri, at St. Louis, from November 1st, 1852, to November 1st, 1854.

November 6th, 1852	\$1,117,190	June 4th, 1853	\$1,486,570	December 31st, 1853	\$1,501,710	July 29th, 1854	\$1,447,950
" 13th, 1852	1,145,980	do 11th, 1853	1,194,060	January 7th, 1854	1,607,130	August 5th, 1854	1,888,560
" 20th, 1852	1,178,670	do 18th, 1853	1,441,060	do 14th, 1854	1,575,220	do 12th, 1854	1,872,410
" 27th, 1852	1,258,650	do 25th, 1853	1,448,960	do 21st, 1854	1,591,180	do 19th, 1854	1,827,260
December 4th, 1852	1,269,980	do 8th, 1853	1,449,010	do 28th, 1854	1,610,940	do 26th, 1854	1,818,190
" 11th, 1852	1,861,770	July 9th, 1853	1,447,740	February 4th, 1854	1,594,510	September 2d, 1854	1,809,610
" 18th, 1852	1,862,660	do 16th, 1853	1,443,690	do 11th, 1854	1,568,660	do 9th, 1854	1,803,460
" 24th, 1852	1,856,980	do 23d, 1853	1,459,920	do 18th, 1854	1,591,850	do 16th, 1854	1,285,460
" 31st, 1852	1,856,980	do 30th, 1853	1,491,710	do 25th, 1854	1,587,180	do 23d, 1854	1,287,810
January, 8th, 1853	1,861,080	August 6th, 1853	1,491,710	March 4th, 1854	1,691,020	do 8th, 1854	1,281,640
" 15th, 1853	1,865,080	do 13th, 1853	1,476,650	do 11th, 1854	1,808,080	do 14th, 1854	1,276,520
" 22d, 1853	1,854,800	do 20th, 1853	1,480,800	do 18th, 1854	1,548,780	do 21st, 1854	1,220,270
" 29th, 1853	1,855,060	do 27th, 1853	1,483,540	do 25th, 1854	1,548,040	do 28th, 1854	1,210,550
February 5th, 1853	1,849,860	September 3d, 1853	1,486,240	April 1st, 1854	1,588,180		
" 12th, 1853	1,854,660	do 10th, 1853	1,443,850	do 8th, 1854	1,548,410		
" 19th, 1853	1,845,170	do 17th, 1853	1,460,150	do 15th, 1854	1,545,020		
" 26th, 1853	1,405,170	do 24th, 1853	1,416,910	do 22d, 1854	1,596,800		
March 5th, 1853	1,415,990	October 1st, 1853	1,395,570	do 29th, 1854	1,565,850		
" 12th, 1853	1,455,030	do 8th, 1853	1,398,290	May 6th, 1854	1,598,980		
" 19th, 1853	1,445,500	do 15th, 1853	1,406,810	do 13th, 1854	1,572,280		
" 26th, 1853	1,450,830	do 22d, 1853	1,412,720	do 20th, 1854	1,526,880		
April 2d, 1853	1,475,410	do 29th, 1853	1,451,290	do 27th, 1854	1,571,640		
" 9th, 1853	1,476,060	November 5th, 1853	1,449,990	June 3d, 1854	1,584,880		
" 16th, 1854	1,445,940	do 12th, 1853	1,418,820	do 10th, 1854	1,576,970		
" 23d, 1853	1,455,040	do 19th, 1853	1,425,320	do 17th, 1854	1,547,310		
" 30th, 1853	1,488,560	do 26th, 1853	1,428,970	do 24th, 1854	1,585,760		
May 7th, 1853	1,483,420	December 3d, 1853	1,397,100	do 30th, 1854	1,494,400		
" 14th, 1853	1,418,640	do 10th, 1853	1,447,000	July 8th, 1854	1,460,180		
" 21st, 1853	1,448,870	do 17th, 1853	1,479,630	do 15th, 1854	1,488,780		
" 28th, 1853	1,482,290	do 24th, 1853	1,568,370	do 22d, 1854			

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**WEEKLY STATEMENT of Sight and Time Bills of Exchange
bought from Brokers from November 30th, 1852, to September 30th,
1854, inclusive.**

The week ending.	Sight Exchange.	Time Exchange.	The week ending.	Sight Exchange.	Time Exchange.
1852.			October 1,		
October 2,			do 8,		
do 9,			do 15,		15,000 00
do 16,			do 22,		
do 23,			do 29,		
do 30,			November 5,		15,000 00
November 6,			do 12,		
do 13,	\$10,000 00	15,000 00	do 19,		
do 20,	60,000 00		do 26,		
do 27,			December 3,	50,000 00	
December 4,	70,000 00		do 10,	50,000 00	
do 11,			do 17,	60,000 00	
do 18,	40,000 00		do 24,	65,000 00	
do 24,			do 31,	20,000 00	
do 31,	10,000 00	10,000 00			
January 8, 1853.			January 7, 1854.	50,000 00	15,000 00
do 15,			do 14,		
do 22,	50,000 00		do 21,		
do 29,	50,000 00		do 28,	15,000 00	
February 5,			February 4,		
do 12,	50,000 00		do 11,		
do 19,	50,000 00		do 18,	60,000 00	
do 26,			do 25,	70,000 00	
March 5,	50,000 00		March 4,	60,000 00	
do 12,	100,000 00		do 11,	80,000 00	
do 19,	100,000 00		do 18,	50,000 00	
do 26,		10,000 00	do 25,		
April 2,			April 1,		
do 9,	95,000 00		do 8,		
do 16,			do 15,		
do 23,	55,000 00		do 22,	25,000 00	
do 30,			do 29,		
May 7,		10,000 00	May 6,		25,000 00
do 14,		10,000 00	do 13,		
do 21,			do 20,		15,000 00
do 28,			do 27,	50,000 00	
June 4,			June 3,	87,000 00	
do 11,	10,000 00		do 10,	90,000 00	
do 18,			do 17,		
do 25,			do 24,	70,000 00	
do 30,	80,000 00		do 30,	70,000 00	
July 9,			July 8,		
do 15,	10,000 00		do 15,		
do 22,	85,000 00		do 22,	50,000 00	
do 29,	157,585 67		do 29,		
August 6,			August 5,		
do 13,			do 12,		
do 20,	5,000 00	15,000 00	do 19,		
do 27,			do 26,	25,000 00	
September 3,			September 2,	15,000 00	20,000 00
do 10,	10,000 00		do 9,	8,000 00	15,000 00
do 17,			do 16,	10,000 00	20,000 00
do 24,			do 23,	25,000 00	5,000 00
			do 30,		20,000 00

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*A WEEKLY STATEMENT of Discounts payable in Exchange from
November 1st, 1850, to September 30th, 1854.*

Week ending.	Amount.	Week ending.	Amount.	Week ending.	Amount.
1850		November 22	\$12,692 37	December 18	\$51,152 06
November 2		do 29	30,944 09	do 25	57,036 47
do 9		December 6	26,978 75	do 31	34,812 10
do 16		do 13	14,938 17	1853	
do 23	\$4,812 76	do 20	4,140 71	January 8	72,616 00
do 30		do 27	16,759 35	do 15	43,854 43
December 7	4,654 68	1852		do 22	28,680 16
do 14	8,445 30	January 3	9,858 85	do 29	46,307 41
do 21	8,487 07	do 10	3,846 37	February 5	51,465 35
do 28	9,314 03	do 17	41,332 61	do 12	43,753 32
1851		do 24	30,338 45	do 19	56,862 02
January 4	6,891 50	do 31		do 26	58,023 88
do 11	9,200 48	February 7	10,028 10	March 5	70,037 21
do 18	13,032 83	do 14	18,961 63	do 12	68,742 34
do 25	528 48	do 21		do 19	87,695 98
February 1		do 28		do 26	97,899 05
do 8	5,815 50	March 6	2,381 31	April 2	78,105 24
do 15		do 13		do 9	43,565 48
do 22	2,803 11	do 20	9,293 18	do 16	55,302 53
March 1	1,700 00	do 27	8,589 70	do 23	59,061 75
do 8	5,706 00	April 3	12,186 83	do 30	68,889 84
do 15	5,666 45	do 10	22,918 88	May 7	60,624 23
do 22		do 17	22,482 26	do 14	54,225 63
do 29	8,326 88	do 24	7,159 13	do 21	19,961 13
April 5	11,119 98	May 1	15,423 74	do 28	41,226 63
do 12	5,269 16	do 8	9,898 23	June 4	32,903 33
do 19	7,801 49	do 15	12,701 13	do 11	14,258 99
do 26	1,960 18	do 22	8,451 75	do 18	9,866 00
May 3		do 29		do 25	54,171 29
do 10	849 47	June 5	2,274 72	July 2	14,672 23
do 17	14,925 92	do 12	2,357 25	do 9	19,670 00
do 24	7,171 03	do 19	1,995 17	do 16	35,268 71
do 31	10,553 12	do 26	1,533 47	do 23	35,043 23
June 7	4,415 98	July 3	6,415 24	do 30	16,426 39
do 14	7,815 57	do 10		August 6	9,524 35
do 21	13,139 34	do 17	18,294 97	do 13	25,192 45
do 28	8,576 66	do 24	28,294 93	do 19	33,944 41
July 5	11,037 05	do 31	7,421 08	do 26	33,450 05
do 12	13,333 28	August 7	3,408 16	September 2	29,425 46
do 19	8,061 87	do 14	5,593 29	do 9	18,124 17
do 26	6,236 08	do 21	1,232 29	do 16	45,652 59
August 2	4,374 14	do 28	1,134 92	do 23	33,268 09
do 9	8,759 65	September 4	884 16	do 30	40,524 62
do 16	7,820 51	do 11	2,434 41	October 7	10,601 40
do 23	20,446 41	do 18	33,313 12	do 14	16,651 47
do 30	6,885 84	do 25	15,062 52	do 21	35,668 79
September 6	6,518 23	October 2	7,860 99	do 28	70,537 97
do 13	16,186 70	do 9	32,583 18	November 4	22,224 99
do 20	15,552 24	do 16	38,321 90	do 11	10,050 45
do 27	15,429 10	do 23	29,683 86	do 18	25,595 31
October 4	33,225 01	do 30	18,932 70	do 25	29,840 53
do 11	25,588 85	November 6	14,298 93	December 2	50,237 32
do 18	30,464 87	do 13	22,580 60	do 9	99,879 52
do 25	30,942 37	do 20	13,127 77	do 16	12,435 72
November 1	18,763 86	do 27	45,364 49	do 23	26,904 08
do 8	12,200 83	December 4	28,369 31	do 30	28,637 52
do 15	15,162 44	do 11	45,563 18		

TABLE (O)—Continued.

Week ending	Amount.	Week ending	Amount.	Week ending.	Amount.
1854		April	\$24,115 5-	July	\$20,007 74
January	\$111,614 20	do	68,604 4-	do	81,576 97
do	37,177 28	do	58,194 62	do	91,210 12
do		do	84,088 4-	August	86,818 96
do		May	91,544 7-	do	85,290 07
February	85,887 94	do	64,865 6-	do	49,794 90
do	37,418 07	do	28,120 8-	do	
do	11,481 4-	do	16,780 5-	September	
do	10,000 00	June	15,590 7-	do	
March	43,990 04	do		do	
do	48,519 20	do		do	
do	85,618 46	do		do	
do	44,798 15	July	14,608 00	do	
do	17,647 24	do	89,636 01	Total.....	\$4,789,865 68

Of the above amount, say four million seven hundred and eighty-nine thousand eight hundred and sixty-five dollars and sixty-three cents, three millions six hundred and twenty thousand seven hundred and seventy-six dollars and forty-four cents, was voluntarily asked for, by the parties applying for discounts.

(P)

MONTHLY STATEMENT of the amount of Discounts done by the Bank of the State of Missouri East and South since December 1st, 1850.

South.....	February, 1851.....	\$140,000 00
do.....	March, 1851.....	56,000 00
do.....	April, 1851.....	90,000 00
do.....	November, 1851.....	75,000 00
do.....	February, 1852.....	369,183 22
do.....	May, 1852.....	125,000 00
do.....	June, 1852.....	75,000 00
do.....	November, 1852.....	79,000 00
do.....	December, 1852.....	25,000 00
do.....	February, 1853.....	87,500 00
do.....	March, 1853.....	45,000 00
do.....	May, 1853.....	70,000 00
do.....	August, 1853.....	75,000 00
do.....	September, 1853.....	75,000 00
do.....	December, 1853.....	80,100 00
do.....	January, 1854.....	46,911 15
do.....	February, 1854.....	85,807 30
do.....	June, 1854.....	20,000 00
do.....	August, 1854.....	50,000 00
		\$1,669,501 67

BRANCH AT CAPE GIRARDEAU.

CAPE GIRARDEAU, Mo., October 20, 1854.

IGNATIUS R. WATHEN, ESQ.,

President of the Branch of the Bank of the State of Missouri, at Cape Girardeau:

The undersigned, a Committee appointed by the Governor of the State of Missouri to examine into the state and condition of the Bank of Missouri and its Branches, would respectfully submit to you the following interrogatories, and request answers to the same at your earliest convenience:

1st. What amount of capital stock was furnished this Branch by the Parent Bank, and whether the same is still under the control of the Branch, or if any portion of the same has been withdrawn by the Parent Bank, state how much?

2d. What amount of circulation has been furnished this Branch? Give the various dates at which circulation has been supplied, and the amount at each time.

3d. What is the amount and condition of your suspended debt? Give a tabular statement of the same, designating those you consider good, those doubtful and those lost.

4th. What are the liabilities of the President and Directors of this Branch, either as payers, endorsers or drawers, for the last two years? Give a quarterly tabular statement of the same, and the aggregate.

5th. What is the number of salaried officers attached to this Branch; what the amount of their salaries, and the amount of the bond by each of them given?

6th. What is the aggregate of your expenses for the last two years? Give a statement of the same.

7th. What have been your profits for the last two years; what the aggregate of your net annual profits since you commenced business?

8th. What real estate is owned by this Branch, and what is its value?

9th. What is the proportion of coin on hand considered with reference to your outstanding circulation, and excepting therefrom the amount of private deposits?

10th. Has this Branch sustained any loss by forgeries or overdrafts? If so, state the amount.

11th. Has this Branch any rule in regard to the accommodation to individuals or firms? If so, state what it is.

12th. Furnish us with a quarterly statement for the last two years commencing October 1st, 1852, and ending October 1st, 1854, as follows:

1st. Of the amount invested by said Branch Bank in sight as well as time bills of exchange.

2d. The earnings of said Branch Bank growing out of the purchase of bills as aforesaid.

3d. The rate of interest made by said Bank in the purchase of sight and time bills per annum.

4th. The rate of interest made in discounting notes per annum.

5th. The amount made by selling sight exchange.

6th. The amount lost in buying time and sight bills.

7th. A weekly statement of the amount of coin on hand at said Branch Bank.

8th. A weekly statement of the circulation of said Bank.

9th. The amount made by said Bank in selling coin, if any sold.

10th. The amount of exchange bought of brokers weekly.

11th. The amount of notes discounted weekly payable in exchange, and what amount of discount did this Bank make monthly at the South or East?

Respectfully,

THOMAS S. RICHARDSON,
CYRUS H. FROST,
G. W. GOODE.

BRANCH BANK, CAPE GIRARDEAU, November 1, 1854.

Hon. THOS. S. RICHARDSON, Hon. C. H. FROST, Hon. G. W. GOODE,
Committee, &c.

GENTLEMEN: The interrogatories propounded by you under date of October 20, 1854, has been under consideration, and I beg leave to submit the following answers thereto:

Answer to first question.

Cashier Lacey's statement marked 'A,' shows that the Parent Bank has furnished \$120,050 84-100 as capital to this Branch, none of which has been withdrawn.

Answer to second question.

There has been purchased by the Parent Bank but \$200,000 of circulation; of which, \$20,000 18th August, \$20,000 24th June, \$40,000 24th November, 1843; \$80,000 on 20th August, 1844, and \$40,000 14th June, 1845. From time to time the Parent Bank has destroyed mutilated notes of this Branch, replacing the same by new issues, as follows: \$4,640 13th November, 1848, \$2,240 4th January, 1849, \$7,760 28th December, 1850, \$2,320 23d January, 1851, \$640 28th August, 1852, \$3,360 8th October, 1852, \$22,000 6th October, 1853, \$1,000 1st December, 1853. Statement 'A' shows our circulation to be \$177,900 on the day you commenced your examination.

Answer to third question.

The item suspended debt, in statement 'A,' shows our suspended debt to have been \$12,296 83 on the day you commenced your examination; since when \$1,240 has been paid, leaving our actual suspended debt \$11,056 83. For details, see statement B.

Answer to fourth question.

Tabular statement 'C' will answer this question.

Answer to fifth question.

There are but three salaried officers attached to this Branch—President, whose salary is \$300, gives no bond; Cashier, salary \$1,200, bond \$60,000; Clerk, salary \$750, bond \$5,000.

Answer to sixth question.

See statement D.

Answer to seventh question.

Our net earnings for the last two years, after deducting all expenses, have been \$28,177 36, and have been, since we commenced, about \$10,000 per annum; the aggregate of which, is \$110,638 36. The amount of our suspended debt that will ultimately be lost has to be deducted from this amount, which, however, I do not think will exceed five to six thousand dollars.

Answer to eighth question.

This Branch owns no real estate.

Answer to ninth question.

The proportion of coin to outstanding circulation of this Branch, after deducting private deposits, is about 1 to 2½.

Answer to tenth question..

This Branch has never sustained a loss, either by overdraft or forgery.

Answer to eleventh question.

The accommodation of no individual or firm is allowed to exceed fifteen thousand dollars under the by-laws of this Branch.

Answer to twelfth question.

For answer to this question, I would refer as follows:

- 1st and 2d. To tabular statement E.
- 3d. Six per cent. per annum discount.
- 4th. Six per cent. per annum discount.

5th. This Branch has made by the sale of sight exchange, for the quarter ending 31st December, 1852, \$23 83; for the quarter ending 31st March, 1853, \$67 17; for the quarter ending 30th June, 1853, \$142 36-100; for the quarter ending 30th September, 1853, \$84 69; for the quarter ending 31st March, 1854, \$128 69; for the quarter ending 30th June, 1854, \$90 83, and for the quarter ending 30th September, 1854, \$60 85.

It is proper to remark in this connection, that a very large proportion of our exchange has been disposed of to the Parent Bank on the redemption of our circulation, for which we are only allowed par.

6th. This Branch has lost nothing in the last two years by the purchase of sight or time bills of exchange.

7th and 8th. Tabular statement 'F' will answer these questions.

9th. This Branch sold a quantity of Mexican and Spanish silver coin for American gold coin, by which a profit of \$1,193 was realized.

10th. This Branch has bought no exchange of brokers in the last two years.

11th. This Branch has made no discounts payable in exchange; nor has any bills or notes been discounted either at the South or East.

Very respectfully, yours,

J. R. WATHEN, *President.*

(A)

CONDITION of the Branch of the Bank of the State of Missouri at Cape Girardeau, October 20th, 1854.

Dr.		Cr.	
Bills discounted	\$162,920 00	The Bank of Mo. per capital,	\$120,058 84
Suspended debt.....	12,296 83	do do do on account....	47,364 76
Domestic exchange.....	48,541 00	Depositors.....	43,702 27
Eastern exchange.....	61,357 29	Protest account.....	5 90
Expense account.....	624 32	Interest and exchange.....	5,453 34
Bank notes on hand.....	16,130 00	Circulation.....	177,900 00
Gold and silver coin.....	92,615 67		
	<u>\$394,485 11</u>		<u>\$394,485 11</u>

ALFRED T. LACEY, *Cashier.*

Cape Girardeau Missouri, October 20th. 1854.

(B)

*LIST OF THE SUSPENDED DEBT of the Branch of the Bank of
the State of Missouri, at Cape Girardeau, October 20, 1854.*

Payer.	Endorsers.		
En en Brown.....	Jerse Friend.....	\$600 00	Bad
E. M. Holden.....	R. T. Brown, J. Taylor, Luther Taylor.....	109 00	Doubtful
John Hinton.....	Dempsey Hinton.....	40 00	do
John Gardner.....	J. Chapman.....	134 00	do
John Hinton.....	Dempsey Hinton.....	225 00	do
J. Walter.....	Henry Heninger, John Warner.....	264 00	do
Thos. English.....	Mathias English.....	228 00	do
B. F. Wilkinson.....	Benj. Sheeks, Fete & Dudley.....	2,000 00	do
Lonsdale & Co.....	Fete & Dudley.....	2,341 83	do
J. W. Stephens.....	Wm. W. Stephens, Edward Henderson.....	74 00	do
T. W. Percell.....	Pttman Miller, D. B. Miller.....	64 00	Go d
Morgan Mullins.....	John Mullins.....	50 00	Bad
E. White.....	R. Glasscock, A. Alexander, J. C. Walker.....	88 00	Good
John Hart.....	E. M. Hart, A. B. Hammon.....	239 00	do
A. Farris.....	A. J. Harty, Wm. C. Harty.....	97 00	do
M. H. Byrne.....	Thomas M. Horrell.....	88 00	Doubtful
J. A. Nash.....	B. R. Albright, Henry McArther.....	104 00	Bad
J. T. Faulkner.....	Chas. R. Henderson, John Perring.....	50 00	Bad
Philip Q. Ray.....	H. W. Molder, L. H. Molder.....	279 00	Good
Chas. Norris.....	D. D. Davis, James P. Woodward.....	57 00	do
O. S. Merritt.....	Wm. J. Denhart, W. B. Yeargin, Luke Byrne.....	200 00	do
H. F. Porter.....	F. G. Harrison, Rich'd Beckwith.....	1,163 00	do
Wm. B. Yeargin.....	James McFarland, W. B. Britton.....	35 00	do
Sanford Scott.....	James Eastwood, N. B. Yeargin.....	82 00	do
Wm. Hubson.....	John Barnes, Alex. Waugh.....	89 00	do
Jackson Young.....	James Trotter, A. Shields.....	97 00	do
Ira B. Lambert.....	John Ravenscroft, F. G. Allen.....	87 00	do
Robert White.....	Shelby Sheeks, A. J. Mills.....	505 00	do
John Strother.....	G. Ad. Lesieur, Wm. N. Warren.....	213 00	do
R. C. Waters.....	H. L. Colwell, R. J. Waters.....	70 00	do
L. H. Molder.....	A. J. Mills, Wm. Sheeks, H. W. Molder.....	400 00	do
Jos. S. White.....	G. W. Creath, Jos. A. Atkins.....	114 00	do
L. H. Walker.....	Amos Reily.....	54 00	do
R. W. McIntosh.....	J. W. Miers, Hamilton Kays.....	324 00	do
S. B. McIntosh.....	M. Pierpoint, Thos. Allen.....	328 00	do
A. L. Martir.....	C. Taylor, M. Cole, J. G. Earley.....	900 00	do
		\$12,296 83	

ALFRED. T. LACEY, *Cashier.*
Cape Girardeau, Missouri, October 20, 1854.

(C)

QUARTERLY LIABILITIES of the President and Directors of the Branch of the Bank of the State of Missouri, at Cape Girardeau, and of the firms of which they are members, commencing with the first quarter of 1853, and ending with the third quarter of 1854, and the aggregate amount thereof.

Names of Directors and firms of which they are members.	Nature of Liability.	First quarter 1853.	Second quarter 1853.	Third quarter 1853.	Fourth quarter 1853.	First quarter 1854.	Second quarter 1854.	Third quarter 1854.	Aggregate amount of Liabilities.
J. R. Wathen	Payer	\$621	\$573	\$1,095	\$990	\$819	\$273	\$804	\$4,775
same	Endorser	54	100		6,000	3,742	2,482	22,540	34,918
J. R. Wathen & Co.	Endorsers	4,000		4 50	25,500	2,360			34,360
Wathen & McLeary	Payer						1,700	1,700	3,400
same	Endorser						1,100		1,100
Thomas Johnson	Endorser			1,000	1,103	900	890	802	4,695
Thomas Johnson & Co.	Payer					1,000			1,000
J. Ingram	Payer	1,075	1,813	5,357	5,014	4,927	10,192	17,554	45,933
same	Endorser		2,835	2,375	22,288	15,475	2,499	31,390	76,892
Ingram & Mason	Payer	2,908	2,978	2,278	1,871	2,124	1,517	1,762	14,538
Samuel Gordon	Endorser	243							243
same	Endorser	205	2,283	5,817	5,372	6,990	3,845	4,373	28,985
Gordon & Anderson	Payer	1,701		1,531	1,378		1,240	1,118	6,986
A. Giboney	Endorser	1,557		1,889	1,251	1,000	3,000	5,000	13,216
C. C. Ziegler	Payer	680	2,421	3,179	12,621	1,961	1,765	2,965	12,371
same	Endorser		16,990	14,800			12,258	15,313	71,792
Madison Iron Mining Company	Payer		10,000	13,000	11,000		10,000	9,000	53,000
H. L. Sloan	Endorser	5,077	4,128	6,900	4,087	5,814	3,611	4,937	34,564
Byrne & Sloan	Payer	3,977	3,309						6,986

ALFRED T. LACEY, Cashier.

(D)

EXPENSE ACCOUNT of the Branch of the Bank of the State of Missouri, at Cape Girardeau, from the 26th October, 1852, to the 20th of October, 1854.

1852.		FOURTH QUARTER, 1852.			
October	27	Amount paid servants for handling specie.....			\$1 00
do	29	do Watkins & Davis for collections.....			19 25
November	15	do do do.....			127 69
do	17	do do do.....			32 10
do	26	do do do.....			5 25
December,	6	do Leslee & Barrett, Attorney fee.....			25 00
do	11	do A. H. Bernard, President, two months' salary....			50 00
do	31	do Wm. W. Horrell, do one do do.....			25 00
do	31	do Thos. B. English, Cashier, quarter salary.....			300 00
do	31	do S. Daugherty, Clerk, quarter salary.....			187 50
					\$773 79
1853.		FIRST QUARTER, 1853.			
January	4	Amount paid servants for cutting wood and handling specie....			6 00
do	11	do Watkins & Davis for collections.....			142 00
do	21	do S. Daugherty, Clerk, salary from 1st to 18th January.....			37 50
do	31	do Watkins & Davis for collections.....			6 61
February	5	do Charles Welling for stationery.....			35
do	11	do W. W. Horrell, Presd't salary 1 month and 17 days.....			20 83
do	18	do Watkins & Davis, for collecting.....			2 00
do	22	do J. S. Huston, Clerk Court, fees.....			3 25
do	26	do Watkins & Davis for collecting.....			9 39
do	28	do do do.....			7 92
March	3	do Pencils.....			60
do	4	do Watkins & Davis for collecting.....			7 47
do	9	do do do.....			10 80
do	28	do do do.....			108 15
do	31	do J. R. Wathen, President, salary to date.....			44 17
do	31	do T. B. English, Cashier, quarter salary.....			300 00
do	31	do J. V. Preist, Clerk, from 18th January to date.....			150 00
					\$1,541 18
		SECOND QUARTER, 1853.			
April	2	Amount paid Watkins & Davis for collecting.....			31 06
do	6	do do do.....			12 11
do	16	do do do.....			29 46
do	23	do Iron vault and fixtures.....			1,214 50
May	3	do Watkins & Davis for collecting.....			10 00
do	7	do do do.....			24 67
do	7	do H. Sanford, postage account.....			4 23
do	10	do Beattie & Rodney, bill stationery.....			16 32
do	10	do Robert Brown for printing blanks.....			10 00
do	11	do Watkins & Davis for collecting.....			121 98
do	11	do Wm. S. Morely, Clerk Court, fee.....			8 00
do	11	do Thomas B. English, Cashier, salary to date.....			134 85
do	11	do John V. Preist, Clerk, salary to date.....			85 30
do	18	do Watkins & Davis for collecting.....			12 88
do	18	do C. C. Ellis, Clerk, fee (Perry county).....			1 00
do	18	do H. T. Burns, Sheriff fee.....			3 80
do	19	do J. S. Williams, acct for wood before removal of Bank.....			12 50
do	27	do Watkins & Davis for collecting.....			10 31
June	6	do Telegraph dispatch.....			1 65
do	7	do Repairing clock.....			1 75
do	11	do A. T. Lacey, Cashier, expenses to St. Louis.....			7 50
do	17	do Watkins & Davis for collecting.....			14 11
do	18	do Insurance on silver coin shipped to St. Louis.....			69 75
do	19	do Insurance on gold coin received from St. Louis.....			113 75
do	22	do For check book.....			10 00
do	24	do Expense of removal of Bank from Jackson.....			10 00
do	30	do J. R. Wathen, President, quarter salary.....			75 00

EXPENSE ACCOUNT—Continued.

1853.		SECOND QUARTER, 1853.		
June	30,	Am't paid	A. T. Lacey, Cashier, from 12th May to date.....	\$165 15
do	30,	do	L. M. Byrne, Clerk, do do do	102 20
				<hr/>
				\$2,855 01
		THIRD QUARTER, 1853.		
July	2,	Am't paid	W. D. Dawson for advertising removal of Bank.....	6 00
do	2,	do	do do printing 8 qrs. blanks.....	8 00
August	6,	do	Davis & Watkins for collecting.....	8 35
do	9,	do	Blank cert. deposit.....	7 50
do	10,	do	Steelpens and post office stamps.....	2 00
do	22,	do	For lead pencils.....	1 00
September,	6,	do	A. T. Lacey, Cashier, expense to St. Louis.....	7 00
do	21,	do	Watkins & Davis for collecting.....	5 00
do	30,	do	J. R. Wathen, President, quarter salary	75 00
do	30,	do	A. T. Lacey, Cashier, quarter salary.....	300 00
do	30,	do	L. M. Byrne, Clerk, quarter salary.....	187 50
				<hr/>
				\$3,462 36
		FOURTH QUARTER, 1853.		
October	3,	Am't paid	Watkins & Hill for collecting.....	5 00
do	4,	do	J. R. Wathen & Co., rent of banking house.....	46 00
do	14,	do	Watkins & Davis for collecting.....	5 00
do	20,	do	Freight and insur'e on silver coin, rec'd from 1st Oct.	14 00
November	4,	do	Watkins & Davis for collecting.....	24 07
do	12,	do	do do do	5 08
do	14,	do	For wood	2 25
do	18,	do	Wm. B. Dawson for printing blanks.....	18 00
December	15,	do	A. T. Lacey, expenses to St. Louis.....	8 00
do	17,	do	For wood	2 25
do	29,	do	For sawing wood.....	1 50
do	31,	do	J. R. Wathen, President, quarter salary	75 00
do	31,	do	A. T. Lacey, Cashier, quarter salary.....	300 00
do	31,	do	L. M. Byrne, Clerk, do do	187 50
do	31,	do	rent of banking house to date.....	30 00
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				\$4,186 01
1854.		FIRST QUARTER, 1854.		
January	5,	Am't paid	auctioneer for selling banking house at Jackson.....	2 00
do	7,	do	Morris & Dawson for printing blanks.....	7 00
February	18,	do	A. T. Lacey, Cashier expenses to St. Louis.....	9 00
do	18,	do	For sawing wood.....	1 50
do	24,	do	For three cords wood.....	6 75
do	25,	do	Watkins & Davis for collecting.....	41 90
March	7,	do	For post office stamps.....	80
do	8,	do	For cedar pencils.....	80
do	21,	do	Freight and insurance on shipment of coin to St. Louis	41 21
do	22,	do	Watkins & Davis for collecting.....	27 01
do	28,	do	For individual ledger.....	18 01
do	31,	do	J. R. Wathen, President, quarter salary	75 01
do	31,	do	A. T. Lacey, Cashier, quarter salary.....	300 00
do	31,	do	L. M. Byrne, Clerk, do do	187 50
do	31,	do	J. R. Wathen & Co., house rent to date.....	30 00
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				\$4,994 54
		SECOND-QUARTER, 1854,		
April	1,	Am't paid	freight on silver coin received from St. Louis.....	5 25
do	1,	do	Insurance do do do do	9 75
do	24,	do	Repairs on stove.....	3 25
May	11,	do	Watkins & Davis for collecting.....	25 25
do	17,	do	do do do	30 78
do	17,	do	N. W. Watkins, do	81 08
do	19,	do	do do do	12 00
do	26,	do	do do do	10 03
June	15,	do	Morris & Dawson for printing 30 qrs blanks.....	30 00
do	26,	do	A. T. Lacey, Cashier, expenses to St. Louis.....	15 25
do	29,	do	Gale & Philipson, bill stationery.....	6 25

EXPENSE ACCOUNT—Continued.

1854.		SECOND QUARTER, 1854.		
June	30,	do	J. R. Wathen, President, quarter salary.....	\$75 00
do	30,	do	A. T. Lacey, Cashier, quarter salary.....	300 00
do	30,	do	L. M. Byrne, Clerk, do do	187 50
do	30,	do	Rent of banking house, do do	30 00
				<hr/> \$5,755 90
		THIRD QUARTER, 1854.		
August	11,	Am't paid	R. Sturdevant bill stationery.....	8 65
September	1,	do	A. T. Lacey, Cashier, expense to St. Louis.....	14 00
do	11,	do	N. W. Watkins for collecting.....	3 55
do	11,	do	H. R. Smarr, Clerk Court, fee.....	75
do	29,	do	J. Tobler for four affidavits.....	1 37
do	30,	do	J. R. Wathen, President, quarter salary	75 00
do	30,	do	A. T. Lacey, Cashier, do do	300 00
do	30,	do	L. M. Byrne, Clerk, do do	187 50
				<hr/> \$6,346 62
		FOURTH QUARTER, 1854.		
October	11,	Am't paid	for acknowledging deed to banking	50
do	11,	do	Blank cert., deposits and credit book.....	19 50
do	13,	do	A. T. Lacey, Cashier, expenses to St. Louis.....	11 25
do	18,	do	For one cord wood.....	2 25
				<hr/>
Whole amount expense account from 26th Oct. 1852, to 20th Oct. 1854, inclusive.....				<hr/> \$6,380 12

ALFRED T. LACEY, *Cashier.*

Branch Bank, Cape Girardeau, Oct. 20th, 1854.

(E)

QUARTERLY STATEMENT of the amount of Sight and Time Bills of Exchange purchased by the Branch of the Bank of the State of Missouri, at Cape Girardeau, together with the amount made by the purchase thereof, commencing with the fourth quarter of 1852, and ending with the third quarter of 1854.

	What year.	Amount Invested.	Amount of profits.
Fourth Quarter of	1852	\$37,115 00	\$234 13
First Quarter of	1853	32,624 00	171 94
Second Quarter of	1853	13,884 00	102 07
Third Quarter of	1853	21,845 00	209 11
Fourth Quarter of	1853	98,498 00	945 60
First Quarter of	1854	64,454 00	1,149 00
Second Quarter of	1854	81,184 00	728 00
Third Quarter	1854	104,465 00	1,775 00

ALFRED T. LACEY, *Cashier.*

CAPE GIRARDEAU, Mo., October 20, 1854.

(F)

STATEMENT showing the amount of Specie on hand together with the amount of outstanding circulation of the Branch of the Bank of the State of Missouri at Cape Girardeau, at the end of each week for the two years ending September 30th, 1854.

Month. Day.	Specie	Circulation.	Month. Day.	Specie	Circulation.	Month. Day.	Specie	Circulation.
1852.			May 28	\$69400	\$179740	January 28	\$60791	\$197700
October 2	\$82780	\$196590	June 4	69100	179740	February 4	56558	19770
do 6	82861	199950	do 11	67400	179740	do 11	57521	196590
do 16	83550	199070	do 18	67981	179740	do 18	64830	196590
do 23	83331	199050	do 25	69700	178380	do 25	55632	195460
do 30	82740	199050	July 2	78400	178380	March 4	57886	194590
November 6	82566	199050	do 9	74850	177970	do 11	58106	194590
do 13	85000	199050	do 16	74200	177970	do 18	57374	190310
do 20	88290	199050	do 23	76016	177970	do 25	57956	190310
do 27	85836	199050	do 30	76018	177970	April 1	56728	189290
December 3	85088	199050	August 6	75000	177970	do 8	66007	189290
do 11	85690	199050	do 13	75500	177970	do 15	66580	187980
do 18	86155	199050	do 20	76400	177970	do 22	69930	186580
do 25	84981	197650	do 27	78000	177970	do 29	73125	185210
do 31	85043	197650	September 3	78060	177970	May 6	72592	183990
1853.			do 10	78500	177970	do 13	75020	183990
January 8	85719	197650	do 17	77900	177970	do 20	80609	183990
do 15	85798	187820	do 24	77100	177970	do 27	81469	183990
do 22	85258	187820	October 1	75700	177970	June 8	82075	183990
do 29	82849	187820	do 8	75200	199970	do 10	84352	183580
February 5	78622	187820	do 15	74061	199970	do 17	85181	182580
do 12	77847	187820	do 22	66700	199970	do 24	86217	181180
do 19	76648	185810	do 29	67435	199970	July 1	85101	181180
do 26	76596	185810	November 5	68900	199970	do 8	85532	180950
March 5	76572	185810	do 12	70150	199970	do 15	94804	180950
do 12	75905	185810	do 19	69444	198960	do 22	94247	180950
do 19	74349	184720	do 26	67360	198960	do 29	92720	180950
do 26	74397	184720	December 3	65400	198760	August 5	92191	180950
April 2	75640	184720	do 10	62439	198760	do 12	91887	180140
do 9	78349	184720	do 17	60088	197700	do 19	93242	180140
do 16	72831	184720	do 24	69194	197700	do 26	91851	180140
do 23	78273	184720	do 31	66587	197700	September 2	89417	180140
do 30	72656	184720	1854.			do 9	86570	180140
May 7	70835	188070	January 7	60878	197700	do 16	88662	180140
do 14	67514	188070	do 14	61041	197700	do 23	81875	180140
do 21	68150	181510	do 21	61663	197700	do 30	82248	179170

ALFRED T. LACEY, Cashier.
Branch Bank, Cape Girardeau, October 20th, 1854.

BRANCH AT SPRINGFIELD.

SPRINGFIELD, Greene County, Mo., }
October 81st, 1854. }

LARKIN, PAINE, Esq.:

President of Branch of the Bank of the State of Missouri, at Springfield:

The undersigned, a Committee appointed by the Governor of the State of Missouri, to examine into the state and condition of the Bank of Missouri and its Branches would respectfully submit to you the following interrogatories and request answers to the same at your earliest convenience:

1st. What amount of capital was furnished this Branch by the Parent Bank, and whether the same is still under the control of the Branch, or if any portion of the same has been withdrawn by the Parent Bank—state how much?

2d. What amount of circulation has been furnished this Branch? Give the various dates at which circulation has been supplied, and the amount at each date.

3d. What is the amount and condition of your "Suspended Debt?" Give a tabular statement of the same, designating those you consider good, those doubtful and those lost.

4th. What are the liabilities of the President and Directors of this Branch, either as payers, endorsers or drawers for the last two years? Give a quarterly tabular statement of the same and the aggregate.

5th. What is the number of salaried officers attached to this Branch? What is the amount of their salaries and the amount of the bonds by each of them given?

6th. What is the aggregate of your expenses for the last two years? Give a statement of the same.

7th. What have been your profits for the last two years? What the aggregate of your net annual profits since you commenced business?

8th. What real estate is owned by this Branch, and what is its value?

9th. What is the proportion of coin on hand considered with reference to your outstanding circulation, and excepting therefrom the amount of private deposits?

10th. Has this Branch sustained any loss by forgeries or overdrafts? If so, state the amount, &c.

11th. Has this Branch any rule in regard to the accommodation to individuals or firms? If so, state what it is.

12th. Furnish us with a quarterly statement for the last two years, commencing October 1, 1852, and ending October 1, 1854, as follows:

Of the amount invested by the Branch Bank at Springfield in Sight, as well as Time Bills of Exchange.

The earning of said Branch Bank growing out of the purchase of bills as aforesaid.

The rate of interest made by said Bank in the purchase of Sight and Time Bills per annum.

The rate of interest made in discounting notes per annum.

The amount made by selling Sight Exchange.

The amount lost in buying Time and Sight Bills.

A weekly statement of the amount of coin on hand at said Branch Bank.

A weekly statement of the circulation of said Branch Bank.

The amount made by said Bank in selling coin, if any sold.

The amount of Exchange bought of Brokers weekly.

The amount of notes discounted weekly, payable in Exchange.

Respectfully yours,

THOMAS S. RICHARDSON,
CYRUS H. FROST,
G. W. GOODE.

THE BRANCH BANK OF THE STATE OF MO., }
Springfield, December, 1854, }

TO MESSRS. THOS. S. RICHARDSON, C. H. FROST, AND G. W. GOODE,
Committee, &c.

GENTLEMEN: The interrogatories propounded by you in your letter of the 31st October, 1854, having been under consideration, I beg leave to refer you to the following answers thereto:

1st. For amount of stock or capital furnished this Branch—the Parent Bank furnished this Branch with \$120,058 84, and the same is still in the possession of this Branch and under her control.

2d. This Branch received in circulation when she first went into operation, \$160,000, (July, 1844,) which amount has never been increased. Mutilated paper has from time to time been destroyed by the Parent Bank, and new circulation furnished for it, but for the last two years has not averaged over \$140,000.

3d. For condition and amount of suspended debt, you are referred to statement No. 1.

4th. For the liabilities of the President and Directors, see Statement No. 2.

5th. The salaried officers of this Branch are President, Cashier and Clerk; the President's salary, \$850 per annum; Cashier's salary \$1,000; his bond \$50,000; Clerk's salary, \$700; bond \$5,000.

6th. For amount of expenses, see statement No. 3.

7th. For profits of this Branch, see statement No. 6.

8th. The real estate owned by this Branch, except the Banking House and lot, are a dwelling and store-house in Warsaw, a store-house and lot in Mt. Vernon; their aggregate value is about \$11,000.

9th. See statement No. 4.

10th. For forgeries see statement No. 1. This Branch has not sustained any loss by overdrafts.

11th. This Branch has no rule of the kind referred to.

12th. See statement No. 5.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

LARKIN PAINE, *President*,
Branch Bank, Missouri, Springfield, December 15th, 1854.

(No. 1.)

LIST of the Suspended Debt at the Branch of the Bank of the State of Missouri, at Springfield, Mo., as reported to Bank Committee, October 31st, 1854.

Note.	Drawers.	Endorser.	Amount.	Date when due.	Remarks.
Note	M. Bass,	Tolbut Bass, Burnet Jones,	\$35 00	November '44,	20-28 Bad.
do	Wash Dorrill,	Benj. Osburn, Buel Osburn,	175 00	December '45,	7-10 Good.
do	A. Finch,	Wm. W. Smith, Reuben Lancelord,	45 42	October '45,	22-25 Bad.
do	James Pile,	H. L. Williams, Samuel Brown,	600 00	January '46,	4-7 do.
do	B. G. Redman,	A. G. Wright, A. V. Wright, A. Wright,	85 00	February '46,	18-21 Doubtful.
do	W. H. Switzler,	A. Skinkle, C. P. Pancost,	788 00	May '46,	80-2 do.
do	Benj. H. Coates,	Thos. H. Coates, J. M. Deford,	67 00	July '46,	9-12 Bad.
do	L. Hendrick,	B. G. Redman, L. H. Arnold, J. C. Montgomery, John Heard,	400 00	January '47,	20-28 Good.
do	J. B. Clark,	R. A. Clark, A. Clark,	70 00	September '47,	80-2 do.
do	J. C. McCary,	J. J. Hackney, Thomas Hackney,	200 00	July '47,	29-2 Bad.
do	A. Oliver,	J. P. Osburn, G. W. Blick	118 00	February '48,	4-7 do.
do	Jno. Saltsman,	F. D. Daniel, G. M. Hardin, Ed. C. Moore,	191 50	March '48,	4-7 Good.
do	A. B. McKaskle,	W. Williams, G. W. Ripley,	1000 00	June '48,	17-20 Bad.
do	A. Oliver,	J. P. Osburn, L. B. Hearold, James C. Price,	879 50	May '48,	5-8 Doubt.
do	G. W. Blick,	E. D. Smith, W. H. Clark,	800 00	June '48,	19-22 Bad.
do	Chas. Lancaster,	A. L. Bradley, John W. Ripley, A. Lancaster,	178 80	August '48,	2-5 do.
do	Armstrong & Ward,	W. L. Smith, W. A. Alexander,	120 00	June '48,	24-27 Doubt.
do	W. L. Bradley,	A. L. Young, John W. Ripley,	80 50	July '48,	22-26 Bad.
do	D. A. Campbell,	James C. Price, W. B. Holmes,	820 00	October '48,	20-23 Doubt.
do	Robert H. Smith,	E. D. Smith, Jesse Wheeler,	860 00	May '49,	10-13 do.
do	Vann S. Young,	A. Richardson, S. T. Vitton,	240 00	December '49,	16-18 Bad.
do	A. Richardson,	V. S. Young, B. W. Richardson,	600 00	December '49,	16-19 Good.
do	Z. W. McDonald,	J. R. Calloway, John Randles,	800 00	December '49,	20-28 Bad, forgery.
do	J. H. J. Richardson,	Richard Haynes, A. Brown, J. C. Berry,	195 00	April '49,	4-7 Good.
do	A. Richardson,	E. Gaither, Richard Haynes, A. M. Dawson,	300 00	May '49,	11-14 do.
Bill	James Brown,	John S. Brown, Geo. Scroggins,	521 8 00	July '50,	20-28 Proved a forgery in Pettis cir. court, J. Brown's es- tate will pay something.
Note	John S. Brown,	James Brown, do do	355 50	August '50,	1-4 do

TABLE (No. 1.)—Continued.

Note.	Drawers.	Endorsers.	Amount.	Date when due.	Remarks.
Note	Thos. J. Howser,	A. W. Genley, A. S. Howser,	\$60 00	August '50,	1-4 Doubt.
do	Jesse C. Dorick,	R. D. Drake, John W. Drake,	30 00	August '50,	1-4 Good.
do	E. M. Bolton,	J. N. Winston, M. L. Jefferson, John McCarty and others,	91 90	February '51,	10-18 do.
do	Winston & McKenzie,	do J. K. Winston, P. T. Miller, G. C. Medley,	429 00	February '51,	10-18 do.
do	Wm. H. Small,	W. Small, H. L. Small,	50 00	April '52,	3-6 do.
do	B. C. Commons,	John Mooney, John Burnett,	185 00	April '52,	3-6 Doubt.
do	Jonathan Harris,	Wm. Harris, Benj. Harris,	60 00	September '52,	17-20 Good.
do	P. T. Miller,	T. Miller, G. C. Medley, Winston & McKenzie, N. J. Winston, bal.	805 25	February '53,	14-17 do.
do	Thomas Miller,	G. A. Parsons, G. C. Medley, N. J. Winston and others, do	278 08	February '53,	14-17 do.
do	do	E. B. Cordell, G. A. Parsons, J. H. Edwards and others, do	157 00	February '53,	14-17 do.
do	Jno. H. Harrison,	Jas. W. Harrison, W. N. Harrison, J. G. Whitton, J. R. Bylena,	120 00	March '54,	26-29 do.
do	do	H. F. Burnes, Jas. Burnes, Sr., Williamson Canada,	800 00	March '54,	10-18 do.
do	Jas. Burnes, Jr.,	J. W. Davis, James E. Farkley, Jas. Faulkner,	200 00	May '54,	9-12 do.
do	B. F. Robinson,	R. W. Wilson, Thos. W. Anderson, Joseph M. Carthel, balance	660 00	June '54,	4-7 do.
do	B. W. Cann fax,	Jas. Atkinson, E. T. Major,	600 00	October '54,	14-17 do.
do	John McMurtly,	C. A. Haden,	600 00	October '54,	15-18 do.
do	D. S. Clarkson,	Jno. B. Wilkinson. Jno. Burdlow,	125 00	October '54,	15-18 do.
do	J. W. Ranney,				
			\$17,813 45		

JAS. R. DANFORTH, Cashier.

The Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, Springfield, December 15, 1854.

(No. 2)

A STATEMENT of the quarterly liabilities of the President and Directors of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri at Springfield, 1st January, 1853, to the 31st October, 1854.

NAMES.	1st qr. of 1853.		2nd qr. of 1853.		3d qr. of 1853.		4th qr. of 1853.	
	Payer.	Endos'r.	Payer.	Endos'r.	Payer.	Endos'r.	Payer.	Endos'r.
L. Paine.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
D. D. Barry.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
G. P. Shackelford.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. B. Farmer.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Elijah Gray.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wm. McAdams.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
John W. Wiedemyer...	\$1200	.....	1060 00	.....	1520 00	.....	1000 00	.....
H. L. Williams.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Horace Snow.....	600 00	.....	600 00	.....	480 00	.....	360 00	.....

CONTINUED.

NAMES.	1st qr. of 1854.		2nd qr. of 1854.		3d qr. of 1854.		4th qr. of 1854.	
	Payer.	Endorser	Payer.	Endorser	Payer.	Endorser	Payer.	Endorser
Larkin Paine.....
D. D. Berry.....
G. P. Shackelford.....
Wm. B. Farmer.....
Elijah Gray.....
Wm. McAdams.....	600 00	.....	60 000	.....	.....	.....	600 000
J. F. Wiedemeyer.....	1000 00	.....	3000 00	.....	2400 00	.....	1600 00	.....
L. H. Williams.....
Horace Snow.....	1200 00	.....	960 00	.....	1760 00	.....	1520 00	.....
R. J. McElhany.....	600 00	600 00	.....

JAS. R. DANFORTH, *Cashier.*

THE BRANCH BANK OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, }
 Springfield, December 15th, 1854. }

(No. 3.)

EXPENSE ACCOUNT of the Branch of the Bank of the State of Missouri, from the 7th day of December, 1852, to the 30th day of October, 1854, inclusive.

1852.			
December	15,	Paid for acknowledgment of deed.....	50
do	25,	paid G. P. Shackelford for his expenses to St. Louis with \$39,000	\$40 00
do	31,	paid J. R. Danforth 1 q'r salary at \$1000 per annum.....	250 00
		paid for repairing lock 75 cents; envelopes 30.....	1 05
		paid for ink 1 50; paid Justices' fee, 25.....	1 75
		paid for 20 specie boxes at 50.....	10 00
		paid for Glazing 50 cts., Clerk C. C. affidavit 50 cts.....	1 00
		paid for repairing clock 50 cts, 1 ream paper \$4.....	4 50
		paid for postage last 6 months.....	3 20
		paid for wood and chopping last 6 months.....	14 60
		paid for candles last 6 months.....	5 50
			291 60
		paid Sam'l S. Vinton 1 q'r salary at \$500 per annum.....	125 00
		paid Warren H. Graves 1 q'r salary at \$350 per annum.....	87 50
			544 60
1853.			
February	12,	paid for Banker's Magazine.....	5 00
March	31,	paid Jas. R. Danforth 1 q'r salary at \$1000 per annum.....	250 00
do	31,	paid S. S. Vinton, 1 q'r salary at \$500 per annum.....	125 00
do	31,	paid Larkin Paine 62 days' salary at \$350 per annum.....	60 30
do	31,	paid W. H. Graves 28 days salary at \$350 per annum.....	27 20
June	11,	paid amt allowed J. M. Barker Dec. 2, 1851 for money stolen	
do	11,	from him whilst acting att'y for the Bank.....	60 00
do	11,	paid G. P. Shackelford for bringing \$25000 circulation from St. L.	50 00
do	30,	paid Feb. 21, cash for clerk's fees 50 cts; repairing lock 75 cts.	
do	30,	paid Feb. 24, for scales, \$2 50; for wafers 50 cts.....	
do	30,	April 29 p'd W. Hackney J.P 25c; for quills 65c; matches 20c....	
do	30,	paid for envelopes \$1 05 June 30, p'd postage last 6 months	4 00
do	30,	paid for Wood chopping for last 6 months \$20 10; candles \$5 50	
do	30,	paid J. R. Danforth 1 q'r salary to date at \$1000 per an'm	250 00
			286 00
do	30,	paid John Dade 1 q'r salary at \$500 per annum.....	125 00
do	30,	paid Larkin Paine 1 q'r salary \$350.....	87 50
			1076 00
September	30,	paid Jas. R. Danforth for 1 q'r salary to date.....	250 00
do	30,	paid John Dade for 1 q'r salary.....	125 00
do	30,	paid Larkin Paine 1 q'r salary.....	87 50
			462 50
October	21,	paid for one discount book....	24 00
November	2,	paid E. R. Fulbright for bringing \$20,000 circulation from St. L.	25 00
do	26,	paid G. Heard, att'y's fees and cost on suit B'k vs. G. Scroggins' security on J. Brown's Bill of Exchange for \$5,093 00..	167 30
December	31,	paid Jas. R. Danforth 1 q'r salary to date.....	250 00
do	31,	paid John Dade 1 q'r salary at \$700 per annum.....	175 00
do	31,	paid Larkin Paine 1 q'r salary to date.....	87 50
do	31,	paid for wood and chopping \$16 15; candles \$5 25; freight discount book \$1.....	22 40
do	31,	paid for repairing lock \$1; sand 25 cts; postage last 6 months, envelopes, &c., \$5 15.....	6 40
			757 60
1854.			
March	16,	paid for Banker's Magazine.....	6 00
do	31,	paid Jas. R. Danforth 1 q'r salary to date.....	250 00
do	31,	paid John Dade 1 q'r salary to date.....	175 00
do	31,	paid Larkin Paine 1 q'r salary to date.....	87 50
May	13,	paid E. R. Fulbright for taking \$10,000, silver to St. Louis....	26 00
do	13,	paid W. B. Farmer, exp'nses, &c., bringing \$30,000 circulat'n back	34 00
June	30,	paid Larkin Paine one q'r salary to date \$350 per annum.....	87 50
do	30,	paid John Dade, do do do \$700 do.....	175 00
do	30,	paid Jas. R. Danforth one q'r salary to date \$1000.....	250 00
do	30,	paid for 14 loads wood \$17 60, do for chopping of same \$4 20....	21 80

EXPENSE ACCOUNT—Continued.

June	30,	paid for candles \$5 20, postage stamps and envelopes last six months \$6 30.....	11 50	
				1124 30
September	30,	paid James R. Danforth for one q'r to date, \$1000 per annum....	250 00	
do	30,	paid John Dade, for one q'r to date, \$700 per annum.....	175 00	
do	30,	paid Larkin Paine do do do \$350 do do	87 50	
do	30,	paid J. H. Miller for taking silver to St. Louis and bringing back \$27,000 in paper money.....	60 00	
do	30,	paid W. H. Graves for printing 1 ream notes and $\frac{1}{4}$ ream checks	20 00	
do	30,	paid Bankers' Magazine.....	7 00	
			599 50	
				\$4564 50

The above and foregoing, is a true copy from the books of the Branch of the Bank of the State of Missouri, at Springfield, December 15th, 1854.
JOHN DADE, *Clerk.*

(No. 4.)

STATE of the Branch of the Bank of the State of Missouri, at Springfield, October 30th, 1854.

Bills discounted.....	\$172,053 82	Bank of the State of Missouri for capital.....	\$120,068 84
Bills of exchange.....	4,133 00	Circulation.....	145,480 0
Suspended debt.....	17,813 45	Individual depositors...	29,634 4
Bank of the State of Missouri account...	15,140 46	Interest and exchange...	3,743 69
Real Estate.....	9,704 00		
Expense account.....	599 50		
Cash on hand viz: Bank notes of this and other Banks.....	\$20,010 00		
Gold and Silver.....	59,462 70		
	79,472 70		
	\$298,916 93		\$298,916 93

JAS. R. DANFORTH, *Cashier.*

The Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, Springfield, October 30th, 1854.

(No. 5)

QUARTERLY STATEMENT of the time bills of exchange bought at the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, at Springfield, from 1st October, 1852, to 1st October, 1854, viz :

First quarter ending 31st December, 1852.....	\$4,252 00
2d " " 31st March, 1853.....	7,550 00
3d " " 30th June, "	6,350 00
4th " " October 1st, "	3,000 00
5th " " January 1st, 1854.....	3,938 67
6th " " April 1st, "	4,850 00
7th " " July 1st, "	2,000 00
8th " " October, "	3,533 00
	\$35,473 67

Besides the interest at six per cent. on the above bills of exchange, the Bank charge $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 per cent., according to the time the bills have to run. The amount of sight exchange bought by this Branch is small, and taken generally at par.

The rates of interest charged is six per cent. on notes discounted, and all interest and exchange received go into the general interest and exchange account, sight checks, sold, &c.

This Bank has never lost anything on sight exchange or time bills. See suspended list No. 1.

I have no data to show the weekly amount of coin on hand.

The same as respects circulation.

This Bank has never sold any coin at her counter. In sending coin to St. Louis to redeem our circulation, we have had some sold by the Parent Bank, which, after paying expenses of transportation, netted us \$592; which amount went to the credit of interest and exchange account.

This Bank has never bought any exchange of brokers.

This Bank has never discounted any notes payable in exchange.

JAS. R. DANFORTH, *Cashier.*

Springfield Branch Bank of the State of Missouri.

(No. 6)

PROFITS of the Branch of the Bank of the State of Missouri at Springfield, are viz:

1852.					
December	6	Profits from the 8th day of July, 1844, to date, are.....			
1853.					
January	1	do	to date.....	\$139 12	
July	1	do	last six months to date.....	4,497 20	
January	1	do	do do do do	5,100 77	
July	1	do	do do do do	4,912 80	
October	31	do	do four do do	3,144 19	17,794 08
fit ast 22 months and 24 days.....				\$17,794 08	\$104,810 97

JAS. R. DANFORTH, *Cashier.*

Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, Springfield, December 15th, 1854.

BRANCH AT LEXINGTON.

LEXINGTON, Mo., November 7th, 1854.

ELDRIDGE BURDEN, Esq., President of the Branch of the Bank of the State of Missouri, at Lexington.

The undersigned, a Committee appointed by the Governor of the State of Missouri, to examine into the state and condition of the Bank of Missouri and its Branches, would respectfully submit to you the following interrogatories, and request answers to the same at your earliest convenience:

1st. What amount of capital stock was furnished this Branch by the Parent Bank, and whether the same is still under the control of the Branch, or if any portion of the same has been withdrawn by the Parent Bank, state how much?

2d. What amount of circulation has been furnished this Branch? give the various dates at which circulation has been supplied, and the amount at each date?

3d. What is the amount and condition of your suspended debt? give a tabular statement of the same, designating those you consider good, those doubtful, and those lost?

4th. What are the liabilities of the President and Directors of this Branch either as payers, endorsers, or drawers, for the last two years? give a quarterly tabular statement of the same, and the aggregate?

5th. What is the number of salaried officers attached to this Branch? what the amount of their salaries, and the amount of the bond by each of them given?

6th. What is the aggregate of your expenses for the last two years, give a statement of the same?

7th. What have been your profits for the last two years, what the aggregate of your net annual profits, since you commenced business?

8th. What real estate is owned by this Branch, and what is its value?

9th. What is the proportion of coin on hand, considered with reference to your outstanding circulation, and excepting therefrom the amount of private deposits.

10th. Has this Branch sustained any loss by forgeries, or overdrafts, if state what amount, &c.

11th. Has this Branch any rule in regard to the accommodation to individuals or firms, if so, state what it is?

12th. Furnish us with a quarterly statement for the last two years, commencing October 1, 1852, and ending October 1, 1854, as follows:

Of the amount invested by said Branch Bank in Sight, as well as Time bills of exchange.

The earnings of said Branch Bank growing out of the purchase of bills as aforesaid.

The rate of interest made by said Bank in the purchase of Sight and Time bills per annum.

The rate of interest made in discounting notes per annum.

The amount made by selling Sight exchanges.

The amount lost in buying Time and Sight bills.

A weekly statement of the amount of coin on hand at said Branch Bank.

A weekly statement of the circulation of said Bank.

The amount made by said Bank in selling coin, if any sold.

The amount of exchange bought of brokers weekly.

The amount of notes discounted weekly payable in exchange, and what amount of discounts did this Bank monthly, at the South or East.

Respectfully,

THOMAS S. RICHARDSON,
G. W. GOODE,
C. H. FROST.

BRANCH BANK, STATE OF MISSOURI, }
Lexington, December 6th, 1854. }

Honorable THOS. S. RICHARDSON, G. W. GOODE AND C. H. FROST, Bank Committee.

GENTLEMEN: In reply to your communication under date 7th November, 1854, I submit the following answers:

Answer to first question.

This Branch was furnished by the Parent Bank with \$120,058 84 as capital, which has never been impaired, and is still under the control of this Branch.

Answer to second question.

This Branch was furnished by the Parent Bank with circulation as follows, viz: on the 7th May, 1845, \$100,000, on the 28th July, 1845, \$60,000, on the 27th October, 1845, \$82,000, and on the 18th March, 1846, \$48,000, making our total circulation \$240,000.

Answer to third question.

Our suspended debt on 6th November, 1854, was \$10,906 53, of which

\$760 has since been paid. For further particulars I refer you to statement of Cashier marked 'A.'

Answer to fourth question.

For answers I refer to statement of Cashier marked 'B.'

Answer to fifth question.

The officers are, a President with an annual salary of \$600, who gives no bond; Cashier, with an annual salary of \$1,800, who is under bond of \$100,000; a Clerk, with an annual salary of \$1,300, who is under bond of \$40,000, and prior to 8th September last, a Bank Attorney, with an annual salary of \$600, who was under bond of \$30,000; a Porter is employed at \$100 per year.

Answer to sixth question.

For answer I refer you to statement of Cashier, marked 'C.'

Answer to seventh question.

The net profits of this Branch for the last two years, commencing November 9th, 1852, and ending 6th November, 1854, amount to \$33,338 84; and the net profits since the organization of this Branch, 7th May, 1845, amount to \$172,167 49.

Answer to eighth question.

The house and lot occupied by this Branch, is the only real estate owned by it, which is worth at least \$10,000.

Answer to ninth question.

At the date of your communication, our circulation was \$237,490; of which we then had on hand \$99,250; leaving a balance outstanding of \$138,240. Our coin then on hand, excluding deposits, was, (as will be seen from statement of the condition of the Bank on that day,) \$54,125 11.

Answer to tenth question.

No loss has been sustained by overdrafts or forgeries.

Answer to eleventh question.

Our by-laws limit loans to individuals or firms on notes at \$5,000; but in the purchase of bills of exchange we have no fixed limit.

I will here add, that no loss has been sustained by this Bank in the purchase of either time or sight bills of exchange, unless those reported now in our suspended debt as doubtful, should ultimately prove a loss; and

further, that this Bank has not, within the last two years, purchased any exchange of brokers for the use of the Bank.

For further and additional information required by the latter clause of your communication, I refer you to tabular statements of Cashier marked 'D, E, F, G and H, herewith sent.

All of which, is respectfully submitted.

Respectfully,

E. BURDEN, *President.*

(A)

STATEMENT of the Suspended Debt, Branch Bank State of Missouri, Lexington, November 6th, 1854.

Names of parties.	In what capacity liable	Nature of debt	Residence of parties.	Amount.	Remarks.
Wm. Lenox.....	Payer		Dead		
Chas. H. Matson.....	do	Judgment	Livingston Co.,		
Abram W. Matson.....	Endorser		do	\$578 00	Doubtful
M. T. Ellis.....	Payer		Platte county,		
David Hughes.....	do		Caldwell county		
A. S. Hughes.....	Endorser	Judgment	Platte county,	240 00	Good
D. R. Martin.....	Payer		Livingston Co.,		
Thos. R. Bryan.....	do		do		
Jas. Nave.....	Endorser	Judgment	do	500 00	Good
Jas. Nave.....	Payer		do		
Geo. L. Williams.....	do		do		
G. P. Peppers.....	Endorser	Judgment	do	250 00	Good
Sam'l Sheets.....	Payer		Clay county,		
Wm. J. Riley.....	do		do		
W. Hull.....	Endorser	Judgment	do	500 00	Doubtful
U. Riley.....	Payer		do		
Wm. J. Riley.....	do		do		
Sam'l Sheets.....	Endorser	Judgment	do	200 00	Doubtful
Wm. J. Riley.....	Payer		do		
Sam'l Sheets.....	do		do		
D. D. Reeves.....	Endorser	Judgment	Dead,	70 00	Doubtful
B. L. Nordyke.....	Payer		Grundy county,		
Jas. Austin.....	do		do		
Jas. M. Clark.....	Endorser	Judgment	do	400 00	Good
J. R. Troxell.....	Payer		Lafayette Co.,		
Wm. S. Field.....	do	do	do		
Sila Hudson.....	Endorser	do	do	240 00	since paid
A. Featherman.....	Acceptor		Platte county,		
H. Miles Moore.....	Drawer		do		
R. T. P. Ridley.....	Endorser	Bill Exc'g	Dead,	3,000 00	Doubtful
F. Hawer.....	Acceptor		Platte county,		
Oliver Diefendorf.....	Drawer		do		
R. T. P. Ridley.....	Endorser	Bill Exc'g	do	3,000 00	Doubtful
D. E. Reyburn.....	Payer		Ray county,		
W. S. Field.....	do		Lafayette Co.,		
H. S. McClure.....	do		do		
C. G. Buckingham.....	Endorser	Note	do	80 00	since paid
Peter Austin.....	Payer		Carroll county,		
Wm. W. Austin.....	do		do		
E. G. Arnold.....	Endorser	Note	Lafayette Co.,	60 00	since paid
S. D. Ross.....	Payer		Pettis county,		
Elbert Walker.....	do		do		
Geo. W. Smiley.....	Endorser	Note	do	800 00	Doubtful
Henry Patton.....	Payer		Unknown,		
Isaac G. Reaves.....	do		do		
Sam'l Ramsey.....	do	Note	do	200 00	Lost
N. B. Holden.....	Payer		Johnson county,		
Jas. M. Foster.....	do		do		
W. F. Marshall.....	Endorser	Note	do	24 37	Good
Wm. F. Miller.....	Payer		Livingston Co.,		
John A. Porterfield.....	do		do		
Jas. Ramsey.....	do		do		
J. S. McCoy.....	Endorser	Note	do	800 00	Good
D. C. Henning and others.....	Payers	Note	Saline county,	80 00	since paid
T. Middaugh and others.....	do	Note	Caldwell county	800 00	since paid
B. D. Hockers.....	Payer		Cass county,		

STATEMENT (A)—Concluded.

Names of parties.	In what capacity liable	Nature of debt.	Residence of parties.	Amount.	Remarks.
R. S. Brown.....	Payer		Cass county,		
Edward L. Tuggle.....	do		do		
Wm. D. Tuggle.....	do		do		
Henry Tarraht.....	Endorser		do		
J. F. Brookhart.....	do		do		
M. W. McCurry.....	do	Note	do	428 16	Good
Jos. Shoemakers.....	Payer		Lafayette Co.,		
Lomax & Jacoby.....	do		do		
Geo. W. Shoemakers.....	Endorser	Note	do	160 00	Good
				\$10,905 58	
Amount since paid.....				760 00	
				\$10,145 58	

C. R. MOREHEAD, *Cashier.*
 BRANCH BANK, STATE OF MISSOURI, }
 Lexington, November 6, 1854, }

(B)

STATEMENT of the Liabilities of the President and Directors of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri at Lexington, from November 9th, 1852, to November 8th, 1854, both as Payer and Endorser.

Names.	Fourth quarter of 1852.		
	Payer.	Endorser	Total.
E. Burden, President.....	\$770	\$350	\$1,120
Wm. H. Russell.....	7,088	8,815	15,358
do do as one of Russell, Lightner & Co.....		167	167
do do do Russell, Waddell & Co.....		450	450
do do do Waddell, Russell & Co.....	2,500		2,500
do do do Morehead, Waddell & Co.....	1,500		1,500
do do do Martin, Pomeroy & Co.....	1,200		1,200
John Williams.....	500	500	1,000
do as one of John Williams & Co.....	500	3,631	4,131
C. R. Morehead.....	2,000	2,450	4,450
do as one of Morehead, Waddell & Co.....	1,864		1,864
do do Morehead, Waddell & Russell.....	1,500		1,500
Wm. M. Jacobs.....	3,740	3,000	6,740
Edward Winsor.....		1,350	1,350
do do as one of E. & A. T. Winsor.....	8,700	2,686	6,386
James S. Lightner.....	2,040	2,928	4,968
do do as one of Martin, Pomeroy & Co.....	1,200		1,200
R. T. P. Ridley.....	1,500	6000	7,500
Greenup Crisp.....			

STATEMENT (B)—Continued.

Names.	First quarter 1853.		
	Payer.	Endorser.	Total.
E. Burden, President	\$220	\$300	\$520
Isaac Chanslor.....		2,922	2,922
James Young			
Wm. Morrison.....	500	2,583	3,083
A. F. Garrison.....			
D. P. Wallingford.....			
Geo. J. Wasson.....		900	900
Squire G. Allen.....	500	500	1,000
Wm. K. Trigg.....	2,000		2,000

Names.	Second quarter of 1853.		
	Payer.	Endorser.	Total.
E. Burden, President			
Isaac Chanslor.....	\$500	\$500	\$1,000
do do as one of Wernwag & Chanslor.....		150	150
James Young.....	250		250
Wm. Morrison.....		2,100	2,100
A. F. Garrison.....			
D. P. Wallingford.....			
Geo. J. Wasson.....	1,000	750	1,750
Squire G. Allen.....	91	150	240
Wm. K. Trigg.....	200	1,500	1,701

Names.	Third quarter of 1853.		
	Payer.	Endorser.	Total.
E. Burden, President.....		\$458	\$458
Isaac Chanslor.....	\$500	300	800
do do as one of Wernwag & Chanslor.....		300	300
James Young.....			
Wm. Morrison.....		790	790
A. F. Garrison.....			
D. P. Wallingford.....			
Geo. J. Wasson.....	300	1,150	1,450
Squire G. Allen.....		400	400
Wm. K. Trigg.....	1,500	1,700	3,200

STATEMENT (B)—Continued.

Names.	Fourth quarter of 1853.		
	Payer.	Endorser.	Total.
E. Burden, President.....			
Isaac Chanslor.....		\$500	\$500
James Young.....		500	500
Wm. Moraison.....			
A. F. Garrison.....			
D. P. Wallingford.....			
Geo. J. Wasson.....		975	975
do do as one of Hughes & Wasson.....		900	900
Squire G. Allen.....			
Wm. K. Trigg.....	\$3,000	6,000	9,000

Names.	First quarter of 1854.		
	Payer.	Endorser.	Total.
E. Burden, President.....			
Isaac Chanslor.....	\$1,500		\$1,500
do do as one of Wernwag & Chanslor.....		\$610	610
James Young.....	500		500
Wm. Morrison.....	500		500
A. F. Garrison.....		400	400
D. P. Wallingford.....			
Geo. J. Wasson.....	500		500
Squire G. Allen.....	500	500	1,000
Wm. K. Trigg.....	500	6,218	6,718

Names.	Second quarter of 1854.		
	Payer.	Endorser.	Total.
E. Burden, President.....	\$800		\$300
Isaac Chanslor.....			
James Young.....			
Wm. Morrison.....		\$1,500	1,500
do do as one of Morrison & Wright.....	500		500
A. F. Garrison.....			
D. P. Wallingford.....	500		500
Geo. J. Wasson.....		2,000	2,000
do do as one of Hughes & Wasson.....		1,189	1,189
Squire G. Allen.....	500	1,000	1,500
Wm. K. Trigg.....	1,824	2,720	4,544

STATEMENT (B)—Concluded.

Names.	Third quarter of 1854.		
	Payer.	Endorser	Total.
E. Burden, President.....		\$800	\$800
Isaac Chanslor.....			
do do as one of Wernwag & Chanslor.....		350	350
James Young.....			
Wm. Morrison.....		2,066	2,066
do do as one of Morrison & Wright.....	\$500		500
A. F. Garrison.....			
D. P. Wallingford.....		1,665	1,665
Geo. J. Wasson.....			
do do as one of Hughes & Wasson.....	3,000		3,000
Squire G. Allen.....			
Wm. K. Trigg.....	600	1,650	2,250

C. R. MOREHEAD, Cashier.

BRANCH BANK, STATE OF MISSOURI, }
 Lexington, Nov. 6, 1854. }

(C)

EXPENSE ACCOUNT of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri at Lexington.

1852			
November	29	Postage stamps 2 85; sperm candles 12 85; oil for lamps 2 00	\$17 50
December	31	Salaries for President 150; Cashier 450; clerk 325; attorney	
do	18	150; porter 25 dollars	1,100 00
do	31	Washing 18; attention to guard room one year 25 dolls.	43 00
do	31	Fuel for Bank winter of 1852 and 1853.	125 00
1853			
January	8	Postage account 7 22; oil for lamp 2 00; Feb. 10, oil for lamp	
		2 00.	11 85
February	10	Subscription to Banker's Magazine.	5 00
do	11	Wm. Shields for qualifying Directors 1851 and '53.	3 75
do	11	Washing and attention to guard room to date.	6 27
do	23	Wm. Morrison's bill for repairs to Bank.	10 60
do	28	Wm. Shields for qualifying Cashier, clerk and attorney.	75
do	28	Salaries, for Cashier 278 56; clerk 201 18; attorney 92 85, and	
		porter 15 47 to date.	588 06
March	1	Telegraphing 1 05; cleaning out and repairs to cistern 3 00.	4 05
do	31	Salaries, of President 150; Cashier 175; clerk 124 22; attorney	
		53 70, and porter 9 doll's to date.	511 93
April	1	Telegraphing 4 52; postage stamps 60c; lamp wick 15c.	5 27
do	5	Chamber for guard room 25c; sub. to Mo. Republican 5 doll's.	5 25
do	21	Postage stamps 1 dol.; sub. to St. Louis Union to March 11, 4 50	5 50
do	25	Matches 10c; soap 10c; costs in Ray Circuit Court, in Case vs.	
		Phillips, 7 50	7 70
do	28	Blank checks 7 dol.; repairing lightning rod 5 00	12 00
May	9	Oil cloth 50c; rope around safe to go to St. Louis 30c.	80
do	9	Jas. Young and W. Morrison's trip to St. Louis 100 dol's each.	200 00
do	9	Bed spread for guard room.	4 00
do	19	Postage stamps 2 15; postage account 7 80.	9 95
June	4	Letter paper 2 66; postage 20c; repairing clock 1 50.	4 36
do	28	Pigott's bill of stationery.	6 71
do	30	Salaries, of President 150; Cashier 450; clerk 325; attorney 250;	
		porter 25 dol's to date.	1,100 00
July	2	Telegraph 2 80; water dipper 35c; postage 1 20.	4 15
do	18	Postage 5c; daily cash and collection books 8 00.	8 05
do	27	Subscription to Metropolitan to 16th Sept. 1852, 4 25; pencil	
		rubbers 25c.	4 50
do	30	Paid horse hire for clerk on business of the Bank.	1 00
August	18	Blank checks 7 00; cleaning out coal house 1 00.	8 00
do	30	Putting coal in house 3 00; repairing fence and gate 9 10.	12 10
September	23	Soap 20c; matches 10c; wash basin 40c.	70
do	29	Coal scuttle and screen 1 75; postage account 2 78; Gibson for	
		Ice 9 87.	13 85
do	30	Salaries of President 150; Cashier 450; clerk 325; Bank attor-	
		ney 150; porter 25 dol's to date.	1,100 00
October	3	Telegraphing 95c; blank notes and blank bills exchange 8 88.	8 83
do	3	Expenses of John Williams to St. Louis for Bank 30 05.	30 05
do	8	Repairing gate 10c; matches 15c; St. Louis Times 60c.	85
do	8	Paid clerk of Clay Circuit Court costs on Case vs. Hughes and	
		others.	10 95
do	10	One pair of blankets for use of guard room.	4 50
do	13	Telegraphing and postage paid Bank of Mo. in Ridley case.	2 41
do	24	Sub. to Jefferson Examiner from Sept. 1852 to Sept. '54.	4 00
November	16	Record book 5 10; candle stick 20c.	5 30
do	16	Candles 5 25; envelopes and stamps 2 20.	7 45
December	21	Paid James Young for bringing funds from St. Louis in Nov'r.	80 00
do	28	Subscription to Bankers Magazine.	6 00
do	28	Cord for door pully 15c; paper pins 10.	25
do	31	Pigott's bill of stationery.	4 50
do	31	Washing and attention to guard room from 28d Feb. last.	36 73
do	31	Fuel for winter of 1853 and '54.	125 00
do	31	Salaries of President 150; Cashier 450; clerk 325; attorney	
		150, and porter 25 dol's to date.	1,100 00

EXPENSE ACCOUNT—Concluded.

1854		
January...	5 Morrison's bill for repairs to roof of Bank.....	8 00
do	10 Towels for guard room 1 00; envelopes 1 90.....	2 90
do	10 Postage account 2 82; repairs to cistern 10 00 dol's.....	12 82
do	21 Paid for Banker's Almanac for 1853 and '54.....	2 00
February	21 Blank checks 4 50; stamps and envelopes 1 80; soap 20c.....	6 50
March.....	4 Pad lock for gate 35c; half ream paper 2 00; envelopes and	
do	27 bills 7 50.....	9 85
do	27 Pen holders 50c; envelopes 3 20; broom 30c; soap 20c.....	4 20
do	31 Wm. Morrison's expenses to St. Louis for the Bank.....	30 00
do	31 Salaries, Cashier 450; President 150; clerk 325; attorney 150;	
	porter 25 dol's.....	1,100 00
April.....	24 J. Williams' expenses to Georgetown on business of Bank.....	6 50
do	27 Blank notes and notices 12 25; paid for whitewashing 2 dol's...	14 25
May.....	3 Telegraphing 1 75; sub. to Republican to April 24th, '55, 5 00	6 75
do	30 Envelopes 3 20; Wm. Williams' expenses to St. Louis for	
	Bank 30 00.....	33 20
June.....	1 Matches and soap 15c; three chairs 2 25.....	2 40
do	30 Soap 15c; cleaning street in front of Bank 25c.....	40
do	30 Pigott's bill of stationery.....	2 05
do	30 Salaries of President 150; Cashier 450; clerk 325; attorney	
do	30 150; porter 25 dol's.....	1,100 00
July.....	6 Postage account 5 19; stamps 21c; pens 75c.....	6 15
August.....	4 Envelopes 3 20; matches 10c; Sept. 1, envelopes 2 50.....	5 80
September	1 Expenses of John Williams to St. Louis for the Bank.....	29 00
do	9 Edgar's bill of ice for use of Bank.....	9 89
do	9 Repairs to clock 1 50; candles 5 25.....	6 75
do	12 Postage account 2 58; sub. to Jeff. Examiner to Sept. '55, 2 00	4 58
do	30 Salaries of President 150; Cashier 450; clerk 325; porter 25;	
do	30 attorney to 8th Sept. '54, 100 dol's.....	1,050 00
do	19 Blank notes and notices 14 25; soap and matches 25c; envel-	
do	20 opes 3 20.....	17 70
do	20 Wheelan's bill for glazing.....	2 95
	Postage stamps 2 03; rope 20c.....	2 23
November	3 Paid James Young trip to St. Louis for the Bank.....	100 00
do	3 Expenses of E. Burden, President, to St. Louis for the Bank...	40 00
do	6 One pen-knife for use of Bank.....	2 00
		9,931 81
Cr.		
By Wm. Lummick, for error in charge of Ice.....		30 00
Total expenses for two years.....		9,901 81

C. R. MOREHEAD, *Cashier.*
 BRANCH BANK OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, }
 Lexington, November 6th, 1854. }

(D)

STATEMENT of time Bills of Exchange purchased by the Branch Bank, State of Missouri, Lexington, from the 1st Oct., 1852, to the 1st Oct., 1854, with the interest and exchange thereon made.

QUARTERS ENDING.	Payable East.	Payable South.	Payable at St. Louis.	Total Purchases.	Interest and Exchange.
December 31, 1852,	\$7,040 00	\$3,000 00	\$51,465 00	\$61,505 00	\$2,294 42
March 31, 1853,	8,880 00	2,000 00	40,814 64	51,194 64	1,699 27
June 30, 1853,	500 00	3,000 00	51,698 69	55,198 67	1,774 60
Septemb'r 30, 1853,	6,000 00	4,000 00	38,819 50	48,819 50	1,592 17
December 31, 1853,	8,100 00	1,000 00	84,781 27	98,881 27	2,998 22
March 31, 1854,	7,000 00	4,000 00	68,023 00	79,023 00	2,495 25
June 30, 1854,	1,500 00	.....	75,293 25	76,798 25	2,270 25
Septemb'r 30, 1854,	1,500 00	2,000 00	71,100 00	74,600 00	2,332 77
	\$40,020 00	\$19,000 00	\$481,995 33	\$541,015 33	\$17,456 96

Rate of interest per annum about 16 per cent.

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(E)

STATEMENT of Sight Exchange purchased by the Branch Bank, State of Missouri at Lexington, the amount made by purchase and sale of Sight Exchange, and the amount made by sale of coin.

Quarters.	Years.	Sight Exchange purchased.	Made on sight Excha'ge purchased.	Made on sight Exch'ge sold.	Made on coin sold.
Ending 31 December,	1852,	8,319 67	81 87	\$75 94	19 06
do 31 March,	1853,	20,095 46	55 50	221 76	
do 30 June,	do	15,388 50	83 71	135 60	188 09
do 30 September	do	26,373 62	113 17	96 75	
do 31 December,	do	14,604 38		53 45	45 84
do 31 March	1854,	73,252 81	99 44	361 94	46 45
do 30 June,	do	61,755 44	145 80	66 50	100 09
do 30 October,	do	26,401 85	102 55	27 20	
		\$246,186 85	\$632 04	\$1,039 14	\$349 52

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(F)

WEEKLY STATEMENT of Circulation of the Branch Bank, State of Missouri, at Lexington, and Coin on hand at said Branch Bank.

Weekly Date.	Circulation.	Coin on hand.	Weekly Date.	Circulation.	Coin on hand.
1852.			Septemb'r 30...	\$239,970 00	\$71,915 80
October 6.....	\$237,290 00	\$33,510 06	October 4...	239,970 00	71,631 55
do 20.....	238,040 00	25,296 19	do 18...	239,970 00	71,374 12
do 27.....	238,040 00	32,806 01	do 25...	239,970 00	71,170 87
do 30.....	238,040 00	36,851 55	November 1...	239,970 00	71,704 67
November 3.....	238,040 00	38,131 50	do 8...	239,970 00	73,645 06
do 8.....	238,040 00	44,754 72	do 15...	239,970 00	75,387 04
do 17.....	238,040 00	50,413 42	do 22...	238,880 00	69,155 13
do 24.....	238,040 00	59,828 55	do 29...	238,880 00	74,315 23
do 30.....	238,040 00	68,486 23	December 6...	238,140 00	76,082 64
December 15.....	238,040 00	72,919 03	do 13...	238,140 00	77,871 61
do 22.....	238,040 00	82,117 92	do 20...	236,980 00	78,628 51
do 31.....	235,730 00	88,450 71	do 27...	236,930 00	79,674 53
1853.			do 31...	236,980 00	78,780 33
January 5.....	235,730 00	80,739 64	1854.		
do 12.....	235,730 00	62,724 73	January 10...	236,930 00	75,962 11
do 19.....	235,050 00	56,054 74	do 17...	236,930 00	78,291 68
do 26.....	235,050 00	51,042 15	do 24...	236,930 00	84,820 80
do 31.....	235,050 00	44,070 78	do 31...	236,930 00	84,300 61
February 9.....	235,050 00	39,709 16	February 7...	235,830 00	78,062 10
do 16.....	232,910 00	37,407 04	do 14...	235,830 00	82,125 27
do 23.....	232,910 00	27,790 86	do 21...	234,150 00	81,902 96
March 2.....	232,910 00	26,575 72	do 28...	234,150 00	51,368 47
do 8.....	232,910 00	28,535 88	March 7...	234,150 00	51,162 51
do 15.....	232,910 00	30,791 11	do 15...	232,900 00	78,049 73
do 22.....	229,000 00	30,644 75	do 21...	231,770 00	79,984 03
do 29.....	229,000 00	35,105 01	do 28...	231,770 00	84,088 48
April 5.....	229,000 00	37,873 85	April 4...	230,920 00	80,987 34
do 12.....	229,000 00	42,630 46	do 11...	230,920 00	67,245 85
do 19.....	229,000 00	41,048 23	do 18...	229,460 00	64,504 63
do 26.....	229,000 00	38,336 77	do 25...	227,520 00	58,721 01
do 30.....	229,000 00	37,874 24	May 2...	226,010 00	59,691 25
May 8.....	225,400 00	42,298 17	do 9...	224,430 00	53,158 74
do 10.....	225,400 00	42,006 58	do 16...	224,430 00	61,144 41
do 17.....	223,440 00	46,299 63	do 23...	224,430 00	62,800 17
do 24.....	223,440 00	93,446 11	do 30...	224,430 00	63,647 63
do 31.....	211,220 00	94,232 46	June 6...	224,430 00	66,976 06
June 7.....	221,220 00	100,316 64	do 13...	224,430 00	66,933 10
do 14.....	221,220 00	100,456 02	do 20...	223,160 00	67,703 03
do 21.....	221,220 00	102,385 34	do 27...	221,620 00	72,496 98
do 28.....	219,710 00	100,564 89	do 30...	221,620 00	73,041 79
July 5.....	219,710 00	98,215 95	July 11...	221,190 00	69,742 79
do 12.....	219,090 00	99,594 59	do 18...	221,190 00	73,255 02
do 19.....	219,090 00	92,224 83	do 25...	221,190 00	75,921 31
do 26.....	219,090 00	90,863 76	do 31...	221,190 00	85,753 34
August 2.....	219,090 00	93,697 83	August 15...	220,000 00	89,357 91
do 9.....	219,090 00	94,745 81	do 22...	220,000 00	88,487 08
do 16.....	219,090 00	95,908 30	do 29...	220,000 00	90,675 48
do 23.....	219,090 00	92,318 68	September 6...	230,000 00	69,880 72
do 30.....	219,090 00	82,710 44	do 12...	230,000 00	72,551 36
September 6.....	219,090 00	72,443 91	do 19...	228,580 00	70,760 81
do 13.....	219,090 00	68,671 17	do 26...	228,580 00	68,602 97
do 20.....	219,090 00	71,943 68	do 30...	233,580 00	72,425 58

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BRANCH BANK, STATE OF MISSOURI, }
Lexington, Nov. 6, 1854. }

(G)

STATEMENT of the amount of notes discounted by the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, Lexington, from the 1st of October, 1852, to the 1st October, 1854; the amount of interest made thereon, and the amount of such discounts, payable in Exchange.

Quarter.	Total amount discounted.	Interest.	Payable in Exch'g.
Ending 81 December, 1852,	\$70 220 53	\$1,418 80	
do 81 March, 1853,	77,667 20	1,617 19	\$12,511 50
do 30 June, do	60,552 18	1,179 40	7,450 00
do 30 September, do	86,795 03	744 50	
do 31 December, do	64,942 79	1,835 65	
do 31 March, 1854,	81,416 19	530 18	
do 30 June, do	88,775 28	807 79	2,300 00
do 30 September, do	81,465 28	652 74	
	\$411,835 38	\$8,285 75	\$22,261 50

The amount of notes discounted payable in exchange being small, are reported in this table quarterly, under the belief that it will be equally as satisfactory as if given weekly.

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BRANCH BANK, STATE OF MISSOURI, }
Lexington, November 6, 1854. }

(H)

STATEMENT of the condition of the Branch Bank of the State of Missouri, Lexington, November 6th, 1854.

RESOURCES.	
Discounts.....	\$131,280 27
Exchange maturing.....	68,800 00
Suspended Debt.....	10,905 53
Protest Account.....	9 65
Expense Account.....	1,277 05
Real Estate.....	14,506 80
Cash on Hand, viz : Gold and silver coin.....	\$88,967 88
Paper of the Bank of the State of Missouri and Branches.....	110,090 00
	\$420,837 25
LIABILITIES.	
Bank of the State of Missouri, for capital.....	\$120,058 84
Bank of the State of Missouri, on account current.....	27,392 24
Deposits.....	29,842 77
Due to Banks.....	128 12
Interest and Exchange.....	5,925 26
Circulation.....	237,490 00
	\$420,837 25

C. R. MOREHEAD, *Cashier.*

BRANCH BANK, STATE OF MISSOURI, }
Lexington, November 6, 1854. }

BRANCH AT PALMYRA.

PALMYRA, Mo., November 10th, 1854.

RICHARD C. MARTIN, Esq., President of the Branch of the Bank of the State of Missouri, at Palmyra.

The undersigned, a Committee appointed by the Governor of the State of Missouri, to examine into the state and condition of the Bank of Missouri and its Branches, would respectfully submit to you the following interrogatories, and request answers to the same at your earliest convenience:

1st. What amount of capital was furnished this Branch by the Parent Bank, and whether the same is still under the control of the Branch, or if any portion of the same has been withdrawn by the Parent Bank, state how much?

2d. What amount of circulation has been furnished this Branch, give the various dates at which circulation has been supplied, and the amount at each date?

3d. What is the amount and condition of your suspended debt, give a tabular statement of the same, designating those you consider good, those doubtful, and those lost?

4th. What are the liabilities of the President and Directors of this Branch; either as payers, endorsers or drawers, for the last two years, give a quarterly tabular statement of the same, and the aggregate?

5th. What is the number of salaried officers attached to this Branch, what the amount of their salaries, and the amount of the bonds by each of them given?

6th. What is the aggregate of your expenses for the last two years, give a statement of the same?

7th. What have been your profits for the last two years, what the aggregate of your net annual profits since you commenced business?

8th. What real estate is owned by this Branch, and what is its value?

9th. What is the proportion of coin on hand considered with reference to your outstanding circulation, and excepting therefrom the amount of private deposits?

10th. Has this Branch sustained any loss by forgeries or overdrafts, if so, state the amount, &c.?

11th. Has this Branch any rule in regard to the accommodation to individuals or firms, if so, state what it is?

12th. Furnish us with a quarterly statement for the last two years, commencing October 1, 1852, and ending October 1, 1854, as follows:

Of the amount invested by the Branch Bank at Palmyra, in Sight, as well as Time bills of exchange.

The earnings of said Branch Bank, growing out of the purchase of bills as aforesaid.

The rate of interest made by said Bank in the purchase of Sight and Time bills per annum.

The rate of interest made in discounting notes per annum.

The amount made by selling Sight exchange.

The amount lost in buying Time and Sight bills.

A weekly statement of the amount of coin on hand at said Branch Bank.

A weekly statement of the circulation of said Branch Bank.

The amount made by said Bank in selling coin if any sold.

The amount of exchange bought of Brokers weekly.

The amount of notes discounted weekly, payable in exchange.

Very respectfully,

THOMAS S. RICHARDSON,
CYRUS H. FROST,
GEO. W. GOODE.

To the Honorable THOS. S. RICHARDSON, CYRUS H. FROST and G. W. GOODE.

Gentlemen : I beg leave to submit the following answers to the interrogatories propounded by you:

Answer to first question.

The capital stock furnished this Branch by the Parent Bank is one hundred and twenty thousand and fifty-eight 84-100 dollars; which is still whole and unimpaired.

Answer to second question.

The circulation of this Branch amounts to the sum of two hundred and fourteen thousand dollars, and was supplied at the following times:

On the 19th of April, 1839.....	\$120,000 00
do 24th of September, 1839.....	40,000 00
do 15th of January, 1845.....	50,000 00
do 9th of November, 1852.....	4,000 00
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	\$214,000 00

Answer to third question.

Please refer to exhibit marked (A.)

Answer to fourth question.

See exhibit marked (B.)

Answer to fifth question.

The officers of this Bank consist of a President with a salary of \$350 00 per annum; Cashier, whose salary is \$1,400 00 a year, and Clerk with a salary of \$700 00 per annum; the Cashier gives bond for the sum of \$25,000 00, and the Clerk in the sum of \$10,000 00.

Answer to sixth question.

Refer to exhibit marked (C.)

Answer to seventh question.

The profits of this Branch for the last two years and ten days, viz: commencing on the 31st of October, 1852, at the closing of the examination made by the Legislative Committee to the 10th of November, 1854, at the time of examination made by you; the profits of this Branch amount to \$29,716 19, and for annual net profits see exhibit marked (D.)

Answer to eighth question.

The real estate owned by this Bank consists of a Banking House and eight hundred and eighty acres of land, and valued at \$15,093 28.

Answer to ninth question.

The proportion of coin on hand after deducting therefrom the amount due to individual depositors, with reference to our outstanding circulation, is a fraction under two and a half.

Answer to tenth question..

The only loss sustained by forgeries was one thousand dollars—no loss by overdrafts.

Answer to eleventh question.

This Bank has no rule limiting accommodations to individuals or firms.

Answer to twelfth question.

Please refer to statement (E) showing the amount invested by this Bank quarterly, and also to statement (F) showing quarterly the earnings in discounting Sight and Time bills of exchange; also to statement (G) showing the earnings in the discounting of notes.

The rate of interest made by the Bank in buying Sight and Time bills is about $9\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. per annum, and in the discounting of notes about 7 per cent. per annum.

This Bank shipped to the Parent Bank on the 29th of July, 1853, coin by the sale of which she made \$846 79.

The amount realized by the Bank in the selling of Sight exchange is \$701 04, last two years.

You will find exhibited in statement (H) a weekly account of coin on hand, and also of the outstanding circulation, commencing on 1st of October, 1852, and ending 1st of October, 1854.

This Branch has had no transactions with Brokers or Banks South or East in exchanges.

I am very respectfully,

November 10th, 1854.

R. C. MARTIN, President.

THE STATE of the Branch of the Bank of the State of Missouri, at Palmyra.

Notes discounted.....	\$51,784 12	Bank of the State of Mo. capital.....	\$120,058 84
Real estate.....	15,093 28	Circulation, (outstanding).....	94,360 00
Suspended debt.....	22,712 32	Interest and exchange.....	4,495 44
Domestic bills of exchange.....	108,181 65	Due to individual depositors.....	34,935 08
Protest account.....	11 55	Due to banks.....	16,674 39
Expense account.....	702 47		
Gold and Silver coin.....	72,038 36		\$270,523 75
	270,523 75		

S. D. SOUTH, *Cashier.*

BRANCH BANK OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, }
Palmyra, November 10th, 1854. }

(A)

PALMYRA BRANCH BANK Suspended Debt.

NAMES.	Good.	Doubtful.	Bad.
Samuel K. Caldwell.....			
A. W. Spotswood.....			
Robert B. Caldwell..... balance	\$32 56		
George C. Hayes.....			
Samuel K. Caldwell			
A. W. Spotswood.....			
Robert B. Caldwell..... balance	89 76		
George C. Hayes.....			
James M. Creason.....			
Lewis C. Northent.....	17 48		
James J. Creason.....			
James M. Creason			
Lewis C. Northent.....	86 36		
James J. Creason.....			
H. F. Hughes.....			
George T. Hamilton		4 04	
Willis St. Clair.....			
H. F. Hughes.....			
George T. Hamilton.....		185 90	
Willis St. Clair.....			
Simpson Haines.....			
Willis J. Baker.....	59 05		
Jesse Johns.....			
William Farman.....			
A. Rees.....			
James A. Richardson		118 00	
John W. Forman.....			
Thomas D. Reed.....			
Edward C. McDonald.....			90 00
J. L. Canterbury.....			
Edward C. McDonald.....			
James Brady.....		146 32	
J. L. Canterbury.....			
A. W. Peden.....			
Wm. G. Johnson.....			
A. C. Hawkins.....		182 25	
Ro. H. McKay.....			
John J. Slosen.....			
John K. Hankins.....			
James C. Beaty.....			76 50
Charles D. Baum.....			
George T. Cannon.....		116 44	
C. W. Cannon.....			
Garrett Jordan.....			
George Alexander.....		47 77	
Hiram Beach.....			
H. H. Beach.....		53 17	
Jefferson Collins.....			

TABLE (A)—Continued.

NAMES.	Good.	Doubtful.	Bad.
William H. Pritchett.....		100 97	
Bird Pritchett.....			
F. Leavering.....			
William H. Prickett.....		2 93	
Bird Pritchett..... balance			
F. Levering.....			
James A. Fuller.....		32 84	
Joel Baird..... balance			
William C. Laposley.....			
Robt. E. Thomas.....		43 00	
Isaac L. Harrell.....			
Asher B. Ousley.....			
Asher B. Ousley.....			
Obidah Colley.....		215 21	
Isaac L. Harrell.....			
Andrew Beckner.....			
Collin C. Holmes.....		51 50	
Stark Holmes.....			
John C. Wagoner.....			
Robert M. Snell.....		18 36	
Joel Maupin..... balance			
Mugh Withers.....			
Smith Brashaw.....	166 17		
George C. Bradshaw.....			
J. H. Forsyth.....			
James Griffith.....			70 00
David B. Hughes.....			
Robert G. Fresh.....			
Samuel Manning.....			
A. Huntsucker.....		59 72	
John (P) Ferrale..... balance			
Obediah Colley.....			
Thomas Harrell.....		25 93	
Richard Riney.....			
William Bennett.....			
George Combs.....	65 61		
Simon Conway.....			
R. D. Philips.....			
Jesse Ewing.....		56 35	
William Ewing.....			
James F. Smith.....			
James Fresh.....	17 01		
William S. Chinn..... balance			
Willis Anderson.....			
Mathew Sivers.....	54 31		
Wash Moore.....			
John B. Reddish.....			
Wash Moore.....			

TABLE (A)—Continued.

NAMES.	Good.	Doubtful	Bad.
Mathew Givins..... balance	\$18 31		
Andrew Hamilton..... balance			
Melker Baker.....			
Samuel Hudson.....	34 78		
John Black.....			
Elijah Anderson.....			
John Hume.....	28 18		
Michael Hickman.....			
George W. Munroe.....			
James Rollins..... balance	5 47		
David Munroe.....			
C. T. Hooker & Co.....		288 18	
Arthur Shearer..... balance			
Richard Hooker.....			
Thomas W. Lull.....		106 20	
Samuel Lull.....			
James Gross.....			
Arthur Shearer.....		525 00	
Emanuel T. Hooker.....			
Richard Hooker.....			
C. B. Nesbitt.....	41 25		
Elijah C. Hayden.....			
Nicholas Hawkins.....			
R. C. Richmond.....			
Joel C. Richmond.....		965 00	
R. F. Richmond.....			
John Richmond.....			
Joseph C. Ray.....		3090 00	
William Glasgow.....			
James Glasgow.....			
Samuel & Harris.....			
James Shields & Co.....			2000 00
C. W. Levring.....			
S. O. Butler & Co.....			
Thomas Leam.....			
Jesse M. Leam.....	75 00		
Z. Leam.....			
William Leonard.....			
William Blakey.....	200 00		
John Taylor.....			
J. B. Parsons & Co.....			
W. C. Olds.....			
Mazer Johnson.....		250 00	
Oho M. Hamilton.....			
William J. Berry.....			
Charles O. Sanford.....			
N. F. Givens.....	402 00		
S. Musgrove.....			

TABLE (A)—Continued.

NAMES.	Good.	Doubtful.	Bad.
R. S. Small.....p.....			
Thomas E. Palmer.....balance		1000	
T. R. Wilson.....			
John Dedmen.....			
Simon Conway.....			
Charles O. Sanford.....	\$50 00		
Greenberry Story.....			
T. R. Wilson.....			
Thomas E. Palmer.....		54 08	
R. J. Small.....			
John S. Galbraith.....			
David Long.....		36 26	
Henry Long.....			
John N. Weight.....			
Thomas Stark.....	37 54		
John Ralls.....			
John Higber.....			
Stanton Buckner.....	64 77		
Carty Wells.....			
John Calaway.....			
George Haywood.....		98 17	
Thomas E. Palmer.....			
George Haywood.....			
John Calaway.....		135 00	
Thomas E. Palmer.....			
Thomas E. Palmer.....			
George Haywood.....		1500 0	
R. S. Small.....			
F. Levering & Co.....			
George Haywood.....		1250 00	
John Calaway.....			
F. Levering & Co.....			
George Haywood.....		817 00	
John Calaway.....			
John Higbee.....		187 5	
James W. Barr.....			
John Barr.....			
George S. Smith.....			
E. Bollinger.....balance	21 0		
James Proffit.....			
Wm. J. McGary.....			
Alexander Lighton.....	90 00		
Samuel T. Glover.....			
Wm. J. McGary.....			
Samuel T. Glover.....	68		
Alexander Lighton.....			
J. P. Hains.....			
C. W. Leavering.....			

TABLE (A) — Continued.

NAMES.	Good.	Doubtful.	Bad.
Ben Doom & Son..... balance		430 00	
Demming & Doom.....			
Ben Doom & Son.....			
S. P. Hains.....		104 21	
George W. Shields.....			
Jamison F Hawkins.....			
J. J. Hawkins.....			
R. C. Richmond.....		125 00	
Joel C. Richmond.....			
R. E. Smith.....			
E. Wilcox.....			
S. K. Lawrence.....			
John C. Blakey.....			
Abram Huntsbury.....			
Wm Blakey & Son.....	250 00		
Huskell & Sorris.....			
Jehn P. Rutter.....			
William Kelly.....			
Bezell Maddox..... balance	200 00		
William M. Turner.....			
C. R. Melser.....			
Henry J. Durkes.....			
C. B. Tate.....			
Thomas L. McGee.....			
Horab Robards.....	55 06		
James S. Green.....			
Samuel Hurson.....			
John Black.....	43 00		
James Taylor.....			
Daniel Seaman.....			
Hiram Seaman.....			
Samuel D. Swarigan.....			
Samuel H. Stuart.....	700 00		
Bezell Briggs.....			
Stephen P. Vanney.....			
Adison Reese.....			
Elias Graves.....	250 06		
H. F. Hughes.....			
James R. Abernathy.....			
Joel Maupin..... balance	15 06		
George Green.....			
J Morris.....			
Thomas C. Rutherford.....			
Charles O. Sanford.....	230 06		
Thomas Roseberry.....			
F. A. Hawkins.....			
David Seaman.....			
N. J. Cannon.....	61 30		
John B. Cannon.....			
H. Seaman.....			
A. Thomas.....			

TABLE (A)—Concluded

NAMES.	Good.	Doubtful.	Bad
Thomas L. Anderson.....	401 80		
Nathaniel P. Kunkle.....			
N. Stipe			
W. Stoner.....			
W. Stipe.....	113 42		
P. C. Sublett.....			
Carty Wells			
Heiskell & Sowers.....	0 00		
Thomas L. Anderson.....			
Carty Wells.....			
Parker Dudley.....	258 25		
Carty Wells.....			
Thomas L. Anderson.....			
Wm. Blakey..... balance	99 86		
John Taylor.....			
John A. Quarles.....			
Walter Caldwell.....	300 00		
Elijah Caldwell.....			
Wm. Blakey.....			
M. H. Bower.....	317 87		
Robert J. Bradley.....			
Daniel Willock.....			
Stanton Buckner..... balance		394 14	
Parker Dudley.....			
J. M. Cooper.....			
John P. Lambert.....	50 00		
Lewis Burby.....			
James Pratt.....			
John G. Pratt.....	240 00		
Wm. Everman.....			
Thomas C. Hughs.....			
Bazell Madcox.....	1240 00		
Catharine Hughs.....			
John H. Saller.....			
Wm. Sallee.....			
Enoch Hooton.....	296 88		
Jeremiah Moore.....			
Woodson Price.....	218 00		
Thomas J. Ere.....			
John T. Victor.....			
William B. Victor..... balance	64 90		
Wm. S. Chinn.....			
David L. McCarty.....			
Christian Luckenbaugh.....	100		
William B. White.....			
	\$8,250 65	\$11,822 17	\$2,689 50

(B)

PARTIES.	Payer.	Endorser.	Drawer.	Aggregate as endorser and drawer.	Aggregate as payer.
John Taylor, President.....	.....	6,700 81	.....	6,700 81	.....
Nathaniel P. Kunkle, Director.....	\$4,360 00	1,526 11	.....	1,526 00	4,360 00
William P. Brown, do.....	4,600 00	10,000 00	.....	10,000 00	4,600 00
James Eagon, do.....	4,800 00	561 86	.....	561 86	4,800 00
Eagon & Reese, do.....	2,800 00	2,898 04	.....	2,898 04	2,800 00
Richard C. Martin, President.....	1.....	1,500 00	.....	.....	.....
	2.....	1,500 00	.....	.....	.....
	3.....	1,500 00	.....	.....	.....
	4.....	1,500 00	.....	.....	.....
	5.....	1,500 00	.....	7,500 90	.....
Willis Anderson.....	1 1,500 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
	2 2,000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
	3 2,000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
	4 2,000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
	5 2,000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
	6 2,000 00	.....	.....	.....	11,500 00
Walker Louthan.....	1.....	9,250 00	.....	.....	.....
	2.....	7,688 82	.....	.....	.....
	3.....	7,778 82	.....	.....	.....
	4.....	8,000 00	.....	.....	.....
	5 875 00	2,000 00	.....	.....	.....
	6.....	8,000 00	.....	87,668 64	875 00
Samuel Shepherd.....	1 2,900 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
	2 2,900 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
	3 2,900 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
	4 2,900 00	51 50	.....	.....	.....
	5 2,900 00	51 50	.....	.....	.....
	6 2,900 00	51 50	.....	154 50	17,400 00
Richard Holtylew.....	1 150 00	962 50	.....	.....	.....
	2.....	1,055 00	155 00	.....	.....
	3 5,000 00	180 00	6,046 67	.....	.....
	4 5,000 00	180 00	.....	.....	.....
	5 4,111 83	.....	.....	.....	.....
	6 4,11 83	.....	.....	8,579 17	18,872 66
John D. Dowling.....	1 1,050 00	11,000 00	.....	.....	.....
	2 2,400 00	7,000 00	.....	.....	.....
	3 1,000 00	400 00	.....	.....	.....
	4.....	500 00	.....	.....	.....
	5 500 00	.....	.....	18,900 00	4,950 00
Peter P. Cluff.....	1 2,000 00	1,500 00	.....	.....	.....
	2.....	8,225 52	.....	.....	.....
	3 3,000 00	600 00	.....	.....	.....
	4 3,600 00	410 83	.....	.....	.....
	5 2,500 00	1,200 00	.....	6,985 85	11,100 00
Francois Davis.....	1.....	1,000 00	.....	.....	.....
	2.....	750 00	.....	.....	.....

TABLE (B)—Continued.

PARTIES.		Payer.	Endorser.	Drawer.	Aggregate as endorser and drawer.	Aggregate as payer.
	3	.....	500 00	.....	.....	.....
	4	1,250 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
	5	1,200 00	250 00	.....	2,500 00	2,450 00
Davis & Shoot.....	1	1,500 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
	2	1,000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
	3	1,000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
	4	1,000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
	5	500 00	.....	.....	.....	5,000 00
William P. Samuel.....	1	5,500 00	3,250 00	.....	.....	.....
	2	5,000 00	3,125 00	.....	.....	.....
	3	5,000 00	3,000 00	.....	.....	.....
	4	5,000 00	3,000 00	.....	.....	.....
	5	5,000 00	3,000 00	.....	15,375 00	28,500 00
Samuel & Moss.....	1	8,000 00	5,000 00	.....	.....	.....
	2	8,000 00	8,000 00	2,000 00	.....	.....
	3	28,000 00	14,500 00	9,500 00	.....	.....
	4	18,000 00	5,000 00	24,000 00	.....	.....
	5	18,000 00	9,000 10	10,000 00	87,000 00	15,000 00

(C)

*AGGREGATE and in detail, of the Expense Account of the Branch
Bank at Palmyra, Mo., for two years ending October 1st, 1854.*

1852.			
December	31	John Taylor, President, quarter salary ending.....	\$47 50
December	31	Samuel D. South, Cashier, do do do	350 00
December	31	Enoch Hooton, Clerk, do do do	175 00
December	31	Samuel D. South, expenses to and from St. Louis.....	10 00
December	31	Amount paid for wood for Bank.....	40 00
December	31	Rush & Lipscomb, Attorneys of Bank.....	8 09
December	31	do do do do	5 04
December	31	do do do do	24 25
December	31	Jacob Sosey, for printing.....	11 00
December	31	Joseph F. Ament for Missouri Courier.....	3 00
December	31	Cost of suit in Shelby county.....	10 15
January	28	Amount paid for acknowledgment of deed.....	50
February	11	Bankers' Magazine.....	5 00
March	26	Blank bills of exchange.....	28 80
April	5	John Taylor, President, half quarter salary.....	40 80
April	5	Richard C. Martin, do do do	46 70
April	5	Samuel D. South, Cashier, do do	350 00
April	5	Enoch Hooton, Clerk do do	175 00
April	5	R. H. Lane for postage.....	2 15
April	5	do do do	8 10
April	5	Rush & Lipscomb, Attorneys of Bank.....	1 85
April	5	do do do do	3 01
April	5	do do do do	4 85
April	5	do do do do	10 85
April	5	Henry W. Hollingsworth for stationery.....	4 15
April	5	Freight on specie to St. Louis.....	5 00
April	5	D. South, expenses to and from St. Louis.....	6 00
April	5	Thomas C. Hughes as guard.....	10 00
April	5	Hack and wagon hire and hotel bills of South.....	23 50
June	30	Richard C. Martin, quarter salary, as President.....	87 50
June	30	Samuel D. South, Cashier, quarter salary.....	350 00
June	30	Enoch Hooton, Clerk, do do	175 00
June	30	Shulze for stationery.....	7 35
June	30	Jones & Millen for repairs on banking house.....	3 75
June	30	S. D. South, expenses to and from St. Louis.....	6 00
June	30	Paid for gold balances.....	2 50
June	30	Thomas L. Anderson, bank attorney.....	20 92
June	30	Dyes' counterfeit detector.....	1 50
July	12	Check book.....	12 00
July	20	Discount book.....	24 00
July	20	Journal.....	30 00
July	20	Specie box.....	1 25
December	31	Richard C. Martin, two quarters' salary as President.....	175 00
December	30	Samuel D. South, do do do Cashier.....	760 00
December	30	Enoch Hooton, Clerk do	350 00
December	30	Samuel D. South's expenses to and from St. Louis.....	42 00
December	30	Thomas P. Stuart, work on cistern.....	2 00
December	30	M. Hart for taxes on banking house.....	20 00
December	30	Thomas R. Anderson, attorney for bank.....	6 42
December	30	do do do do	4 31
December	30	Missouri Republican.....	5 00
December	30	Flanigan & Shepherd for laying pavement.....	53 50
December	30	R. H. Lane, postage.....	1 83
December	30	McCracken for Metropolitan.....	8 00
December	30	John Shannon, postmaster.....	3 50
December	31	David Hoyt, repairing cistern.....	7 00
December	31	Henry W. Hollingsworth for stationery.....	1 40
1854.			
March	31	Richard C. Martin, President, quarter salary.....	87 50
March	31	Samuel D. South, Cashier, do do	350 00
March	31	Enoch Hooton, Clerk do do	175 00
March	31	Jacob Sosey for printing banks.....	25 50

TABLE (C) — *Concluded.*

March	31	William A. Maddox, Sheriff for taxes on bank.....	25 50
March	21	S. D. South, expenses to and from Naples, Ill.	7 50
June	30	R. C. Martin, President, quarter salary.....	87 50
June	30	Samuel D. South, Cashier, do do	350 00
June	30	Enoch Hooton, Clerk, do do	175 00
June	30	Samuel D. South, expenses to and from St. Louis.....	12 00
June	30	John Shannen, postmaster.....	3 90
June	30	Cord and pulley for door.....	55
June	30	Thomas L. Anderson, attorney.....	92 19
June	30	John Shannen, postage.....	7 49
October	6	Richard C. Martin, President, quarter salary.....	87 50
October	6	Samuel D. South, Cashier do do	3 00
October	6	Enoch Hooton, Clerk, do do	175 00
October	6	Thomas L. Anderson, attorney of bank.....	5 62
October	6	do do do	25 49
October	6	F. J. Lee for corporation tax on banking house.....	20 00
October	6	Taxes on land in Shelby county.....	23 86
October	6	Bankers' Magazine.....	11 00
October	6	Thomas L. Anderson attorney of bank.....	65 03
			\$5,724 71

(D)

A STATEMENT of the annual net profits of the Branch Bank at Palmyra, from its commencement up to the 10th November, 1854.

Amount of net profits from 25th April, 1839, to 30th June, 1840, one year and two months.....	\$4,569 62
From 30th June, 1840, to 30th June, 1841.....	3,003 76
From 30th June, 1841, to 30th June, 1842.....	4,690 78
From 30th June, 1842, to 30th June, 1843.....	4,415 56
From 30th June, 1843, to 30th June, 1844.....	6,420 41
From 30th June, 1844, to 30th June, 1845.....	12,630 77
From 30th June, 1845, to 30th June, 1846.....	11,780 87
From 30th June, 1846, to 30th June, 1847.....	13,561 27
From 30th June, 1847, to 30th June, 1848.....	10,000 55
From 30th June, 1848, to 30th June, 1849.....	6,692 22
From 30th June, 1849, to 30th June, 1850.....	9,379 46
From 30th June, 1850, to 30th June, 1851.....	11,313 53
From 30th June, 1851, to 30th June, 1852.....	8,508 89
From 30th June, 1852, to 30th June, 1853.....	14,578 07
From 30th June, 1853, to 30th June, 1854.....	16,372 53
From 30th June, 1854, to 10th November, 1854.....	8,781 42
\$140,544 55	

(E)

A STATEMENT showing the amount invested by the Bank at Palmyra, in Sight and Time bills of Exchange "quarterly."

1852.		
1st quarter.	Ending December 31st, 1852.....	\$121,846 00
2d quarter.	Ending March 31st, 1853.....	58,680 30
3d quarter.	Ending June 30th, 1853.....	101,426 55
4th quarter.	Ending September 30th, 1853.....	90,199 57
1853.		
Total amount invested for one year.....		\$378,152 42
1st quarter.	Ending December 31st, 1853.....	154,841 19
2d quarter.	Ending March 31st, 1854.....	100,867 21
3d quarter.	Ending June 30th, 1854.....	94,538 56
4th quarter.	Ending September 30th, 1854.....	106,892 25
Total amount invested for two years, commencing on 1st of October, 1852, and ending on 1st of October, 1854.....		\$835,291 08

(F)

A STATEMENT showing the amount of earnings growing out of the purchase of Sight and Time bills of exchange quarterly, commencing on 1st of October, 1852, and ending October 1st, 1854.

1st quarter.	Ending on December 31st, 1852.....	\$3,416 26
2d quarter.	Ending on March 31st, 1853.....	1,687 70
3d quarter.	Ending on June 30th, 1853.....	2,946 82
4th quarter.	Ending on September 30th, 1853.....	2,819 89
Total amount of earnings for one year.....		\$10,870 07
1853 & 1854.		
1st quarter.	Ending on December 31st, 1853.....	4,501 95
2d quarter.	Ending on March 31st, 1854.....	8,882 69
3d quarter.	Ending on June 30th, 1854.....	2,006 77
4th quarter.	Ending on September 30th, 1854.....	8,259 40
Total amount of earnings for two years, commencing on 1st of October, 1852, and ending on 1st of October, 1854.....		\$23,471 42

(G)

A STATEMENT showing the amount of earnings at the Branch Bank at Palmyra, growing out of the discounting of notes for two years, commencing on 1st October, 1852, and ending 1st October, 1854.

1st quarter.	Ending on December 31st, 1852.....	\$1,665 2
2d quarter.	Ending on March 31st, 1853.....	1,281 94
3d quarter.	Ending on June 30th, 1853.....	1,244 12
4th quarter.	Ending on September 30th, 1853.....	944 7
Amount of earnings for one year.....		\$5,136 18
1st quarter.	Ending on December 31st, 1853.....	949 97
2d quarter.	Ending on March 31st, 1854.....	582 23
3d quarter.	Ending on June 30th, 1854.....	762 85
4th quarter.	Ending on September 30th, 1854.....	284 91
Total amount of earnings for two years.....		\$7,665 59

(H)

**A WEEKLY STATEMENT of Coin in the Branch Bank, at Palmyra,
from October 1st, 1852, to October 1st, 1854.**

Gold and silver.			Gold and silver.		
1852			1853		
October	1	Amount on hand.	October	1	Amount on hand.
do	8	" "	do	7	" "
do	15	" "	do	14	" "
do	22	" "	do	28	" "
do	29	" "	do	28	" "
November	5	" "	November	11	" "
do	12	" "	do	18	" "
do	19	" "	do	25	" "
do	26	" "	December	9	" "
December	3	" "	do	16	" "
do	10	" "	do	23	" "
do	17	" "	do	31	" "
do	24	" "	1854		
1853			January	6	" "
January	1	" "	do	13	" "
do	14	" "	do	20	" "
do	21	" "	do	27	" "
do	28	" "	February	3	" "
February	4	" "	do	10	" "
do	11	" "	do	17	" "
do	18	" "	do	24	" "
do	26	" "	March	3	" "
March	4	" "	do	10	" "
do	11	" "	do	17	" "
do	18	" "	do	24	" "
do	25	" "	do	31	" "
April	2	" "	April	7	" "
do	9	" "	do	14	" "
do	16	" "	do	21	" "
do	22	" "	do	28	" "
do	29	" "	May	5	" "
May	6	" "	do	12	" "
do	13	" "	do	19	" "
do	20	" "	do	26	" "
do	27	" "	June	2	" "
June	3	" "	do	9	" "
do	10	" "	do	16	" "
do	17	" "	do	24	" "
do	24	" "	do	30	" "
do	20	" "	July	7	" "
July	8	" "	do	14	" "
do	15	" "	do	21	" "
do	22	" "	do	28	" "
do	29	" "	August	4	" "
August	5	" "	do	11	" "
do	12	" "	do	18	" "
do	19	" "	do	25	" "
September	2	" "	September	1	" "
do	9	" "	do	8	" "
do	16	" "	do	15	" "
do	23	" "	do	22	" "
do	30	" "	do	29	" "
			do	30	" "

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A WEEKLY STATEMENT of circulation (outstanding) at the Branch Bank at Palmyra, from October 1st 1852 to October 1st 1854.

1852.	Circulation.		1853.	Circulation.	
	Circul'n outstand'g.	\$		Cir. outstanding	\$
October 1	"	201160 00	October 1	"	209970 00
do 8	"	201160 00	do 8	"	209970 00
do 15	"	204890 00	do 21	"	124300 00
do 22	"	204890 00	do 28	"	182650 00
do 29	"	204890 00	November 4	"	141500 00
November 5	"	208450 00	do 11	"	145580 00
do 12	"	208450 00	do 25	"	158570 00
do 19	"	164890 00	December 2	"	162280 00
do 26	"	164890 00	do 9	"	162950 00
December 8	"	170890 00	do 16	"	171520 00
do 10	"	172950 00	do 23	"	187140 00
do 17	"	181290 00	do 31	"	207180 00
do 24	"	200620 00	1854.		
1853.		203560 00	January 6	"	184850 00
January 7	"	206140 00	do 13	"	188180 00
do 14	"	205760 00	do 20	"	149840 00
do 21	"	205590 00	do 27	"	167130 00
do 28	"	205810 00	February 8	"	177180 00
February 4	"	208810 00	do 10	"	187810 00
do 11	"	198060 00	do 17	"	194100 00
do 18	"	201860 00	do 24	"	178470 00
do 26	"	201690 00	March 8	"	169090 00
March 4	"	201960 00	do 10	"	161140 00
do 11	"	203560 00	do 17	"	203440 00
do 18	"	192020 00	do 24	"	203440 00
do 25	"	195160 00	do 31	"	196550 00
April 2	"	196960 00	April 7	"	158550 00
do 9	"	193430 00	do 14	"	178970 00
do 15	"	196680 00	do 21	"	188660 00
do 22	"	126990 00	do 28	"	187820 00
do 29	"	186630 00	May 5	"	185590 00
May 6	"	148010 00	do 12	"	164790 00
do 13	"	145600 00	do 19	"	168120 00
do 20	"	155420 00	do 26	"	172480 00
do 27	"	163040 00	June 9	"	178700 00
June 10	"	169940 00	do 16	"	172070 00
do 17	"	161520 00	do 24	"	170740 00
do 24	"	177380 00	do 30	"	195930 00
do 30	"	184200 00	July 7	"	184880 00
July 8	"	188730 00	do 14	"	181880 00
do 15	"	182950 00	do 21	"	179880 00
do 22	"	171090 00	do 28	"	178880 00
do 29	"	181120 00	August 4	"	189760 00
August 5	"	182720 00	do 11	"	189800 00
do 12	"	183660 00	do 18	"	188700 00
do 19	"	182870 00	do 25	"	191130 00
September 2	"	183730 00	September 1	"	195440 00
do 9	"	183730 00	do 8	"	195440 00
do 16	"	183730 00	do 15	"	194040 00
do 23	"	183000 00	do 22	"	194840 00
do 30	"	209970 00	do 30	"	194840 00

BRANCH AT FAYETTE.

FAYETTE, Mo., November —, 1854.

GERARD ROBINSON, Esq., *President of the Branch of the Bank of the State of Missouri, at Fayette:*

The undersigned, a Committee appointed by the Governor of the State of Missouri to examine into the state and condition of the Bank of Missouri and its Branches, would respectfully submit to you the following interrogatories, and request answers to the same at your earliest convenience:

1st. What amount of capital was furnished this Branch by the Parent Bank, and whether the same is still under the control of the Branch, or if any portion of the same has been withdrawn by the Parent Bank, state how much?

2d. What amount of circulation has been furnished this Branch? Give the various dates at which circulation has been supplied, and the amount at each date.

3d. What is the amount and condition of your suspended debt? Give a tabular statement of the same, designating those you consider good, those doubtful and those lost.

4th. What are the liabilities of the President and Directors of this Branch, either as payers, endorsers or drawers, for the last two years? Give a quarterly tabular statement of the same, and the aggregate.

5th. What is the number of salaried officers attached to this Branch; what the amount of their salaries, and the amount of the bond by each of them given?

6th. What is the aggregate of your expenses for the last two years? Give a statement of the same.

7th. What have been your profits for the last two years; what the aggregate of your net annual profits since you commenced business?

8th. What real estate is owned by this Branch, and what is its value?

9th. What is the proportion of coin on hand considered with reference to your outstanding circulation, and excepting therefrom the amount of private deposits?

10th. Has this Branch sustained any loss by forgeries or overdrafts? If so, state the amount.

11th. Has this Branch any rule in regard to the accommodation to individuals or firms? If so, state what it is.

12th. Furnish us with a quarterly statement for the last two years commencing October 1st, 1852, and ending October 1st, 1854, as follows:

Of the amount invested by the Branch Bank at Fayette in Sight as well as Time bills of exchange.

The earnings of said Branch Bank growing out of the purchase of bills as aforesaid.

The rate of interest made by said Bank in the purchase of Sight and Time bills per annum.

The rate of interest made in discounting notes per annum.

The amount made by selling Sight exchange.

The amount lost in buying Time and Sight bills.

A weekly statement of the amount of coin on hand at said Branch Bank.

A weekly statement of the circulation of said Branch Bank.

The amount made by said Bank in selling coin, if any, sold.

The amount of exchange bought of brokers weekly.

The amount of notes discounted weekly payable in exchange.

Respectfully yours,

THOMAS S. RICHARDSON,
CYRUS H. FROST,
G. W. GOODE.

BRANCH OF THE BANK OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, }
Fayette, November 16, 1854. }

Messrs. RICHARDSON, GOODE and FROST:

Committee appointed by the Governor of the State of Missouri, to examine into the state and condition of the Bank of the State of Missouri and Branches.

GENTLEMEN: In reply to your several interrogatories addressed to me, I beg to offer the following response:

1st. The amount of capital stock furnished this Branch by Parent Bank is \$120,058 84, no part of which has ever been withdrawn, and is now, and always has been under the control of this Branch.

2d. The amount of circulation furnished this Branch is \$240,000, and was furnished at the following times, and in the following amounts, viz:

1838. February 10.....	\$60,000
1838. September 13.....	118,000
1839. February 16.....	40,000
1845. November 1.....	22,000 \$240,000

3d. The amount of our suspended debt is \$870 30, and is all certainly good.

4th. But three members of this Board have any liabilities as either payer or endorser, and those but for small sums, the amount at no time of any one exceeding \$1,500 as borrower, or \$4,000 as borrower and endorser.

5th. The President, Cashier and Clerk are the only officers attached to this Branch who receive salaries. The President's salary is \$550, the Cashier's \$1,400, and the Clerk's \$850, each per annum; the Bank Attorney receives five per cent. on all collections made, and in consequence of the small number of suits brought, has not for several years past received an average of \$100 per annum for his services. The Cashier gives bond in the sum of \$100,000, and the Clerk \$40,000.

6th. The expenses of this Branch for the last two years has been \$6-758 46.

7th. The net profits of this Branch for the last two years is about twelve per cent. per annum, and the average net profits from the commencement about eleven per cent. per annum.

8th. The real estate of this Branch is the house occupied by it for business, and three lots attached, and four small tracts of land in Benton county, the whole valued at about \$7,000.

9th. The statement furnished you by the Cashier will give a correct answer to this interrogatory.

10th. This Branch has lost \$800 by the forgery of a note, and from overdrafts nothing.

11th. The judgment of the Board of Directors is the only rule of action.

12th. It is impossible to answer all the questions propounded under this general interrogatory, as only monthly, and not weekly statements have been made.

It would also be difficult, if not impossible, to give the rate of interest made on the purchase and sale of Sight and Time bills, as the rates of exchange have been different, on different points, and at different times, and only a general interest and exchange account has been kept, I will answer however, as far as answers can be given:

First—The profits on Time and Sight bills bought and sold within the last two years is 13,880, and on notes discounted within same time \$19,046 94, and this is about a fair sample of the amount, and character of the business of the Branch for the last eight or ten years.

Second—This Branch has made and passed to interest and exchange account \$1,854 61, derived from the sale of silver in exchange for American gold, the average rate of premiums obtained being about three per cent., and

Third—This Branch has had no dealings whatever, with brokers, neither extending nor receiving facilities of any kind.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

GERARD ROBINSON, President.

**STATEMENT of the Branch of the Bank of the State of Missouri at
Fayette, on the 9th day of November, 1854.**

Nov. 9,	Notes discounted.....	\$157,376 05
do 9,	Suspended Debt.....	870 30
do 9,	Domestic Bills of Exchange	59,367 90
	Real Estate account.....	18,696 08
	Exchange maturing on St. Louis, New Orleans and New York.....	62,417 14
	Expense account.....	750 44
	Protest account.....	4 06
	Cash on hand, viz: Missouri paper.....	\$16,920 00
	Gold and silver.....	101,096 14
		<hr/> 118,016 14
		<hr/> \$417,518 10
Nov. 9,	Bank of the State of Missouri, capital.....	\$120,058 84
do 9,	Circulation.....	235,310 60
do 9,	Individual deposits	55,944 36
do 9,	Interest and Exchange.....	6,204 90
		<hr/> \$417,518 10

WILLIAM C. BOON, *Cashier.*

BRANCH BANK, STATE OF MISSOURI, }
Fayette, November 9, 1854, }

REPORT

OF THE

**PRESIDENT OF THE BOATMEN'S SAVING INSTITUTION,
TO THE EIGHTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY.**

BOATMEN'S SAVING INSTITUTION, }
St. Louis, December 19, 1854. }

*To the Honorable, the Speaker
of the House of Representatives of the State of Missouri:*

SIR: In compliance with the requirements of the charter of the Boatmen's Saving Institution, it is my duty as President of said Institution, to lay before the General Assembly at each of its regular sessions, a report in accordance with the seventh article of said charter.

The following statement, verified by the affidavit of the Treasurer, and showing the condition of the Institution on the sixteenth day of October last, and also the increase within the last two years in the number of depositors, and the amount deposited, is respectfully submitted.

Respectfully your obedient servant,

S. BLOOD,
President of the Boatmen's Saving Institution.

ondition of the Boatmen's Saving Institution, as shown by the Ledgers on the sixteenth day of October, 1854.

Dr. Balances, viz :

Stock in Bank Missouri	- - - -	\$6,360 22
Bills, receivable, loan on Real estate,	- - \$24,426 66	
" " Discounts,	- - 326,682 64	
" " Notes in suit,	- - 1,088 10	352,197 40
Furniture and fixtures,	- - - -	1,876 57
Suspense account, cash taken from vault,	- - - -	19,677 00
Cash on hand,	- - - -	75,093 32
Bank of Louisiana, exchange matured,	- - 1,000 00	
" " " " maturing,	- - 60,500 00	61,500 00
		<hr/> 516,704 51

Cr. Balances, viz :

Current deposits with interest to 15 September,	- - - -	404,486 23
Time " " " " Date,	- - - -	87,194 47
Bills payable, certificates of deposite,	- - - -	6,658 20
Profit and loss account,	- - - -	18,350 61
Committee Fund,	- - - -	5 00
		<hr/> 516,704 51

Whole amount of deposits as above,	- - - -	498,348 90
" " " " October 15, 1852,	- - - -	272,922 66
Increase in deposits since last report to Legislature,	- - - -	225,426 24

Whole number of depositors at date,	- - - -	1,560
" " " " October 15, 1852,	- - - -	765

Increase in number of depositors,	- - - -	795
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STATE OF MISSOURI, }
CITY OF ST. LOUIS, } SS.

Before me, the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace, in and for the county of Saint Louis, personally appeared Alton R. Easton, Treasurer of the Boatmen's Saving Institution, who being duly sworn, doth depose and say, that to the of his knowledge and belief, the foregoing statement is just and true, and that the said securities and cash on hand are in my possession as Treasurer as aforesaid, to-wit: one the sixteenth day of October, eighteen hundred and fifty-four.

ALTON R. EASTON, Treasurer

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th day of December, 1854.

MANN BUTLER, Justice of the Peace.

REPORT

OF THE

REGISTER OF LANDS,

OF

THE STATE OF MISSOURI,

TO THE

EIGHTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

REGISTER'S OFFICE, MISSOURI,
City of Jefferson, January 1st, 1855. }

To the Honorable the General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

GENTLEMEN: In compliance with the requirements of law, making it the duty of the Register of Lands, to report to the Legislature the condition of his office, and make such other suggestions as he may deem proper, I submit my biennial report, ending January 1855. In the performance of this duty, the Register begs leave, respectfully, to call attention to subjects mentioned in his last report and not acted upon, as well as others of importance demanding the immediate and careful consideration of the Legislature.

The first subject of importance connected with the land system of the State, is the 500,000 acres of land granted to this State by act of Congress, "approved 4th September, 1841." The present uncertain condition of these lands is by no means flattering to the State, or the people who have purchased the same, and constitutes an important subject for the action of the Legislature, inasmuch as they are inseparably connected with the pecuniary interest of the constituency whom we represent, involving interests of private as well as general character and considered of great importance, both to individuals and State—to the State as regards revenue—to individuals as regards *bona fide* titles.

Selections of 500,000 acre grant.

For the information of the present Legislature, I have thought proper to give the amount of land *originally* selected, in each Land District of the State, with the corresponding amount of "approvals," and the number of acres rejected, as near as can be ascertained from the files in the office, a part of which were afterwards re-selected and confirmed. The complex nature of these lists have rendered difficult the labors of the Register, in arriving, accurately, at the proper amounts under each head given, but I think the following statement may be relied upon:

Districts.	Original Amount.	By whom selected.	Quantity approved.	Rejected.
Pahmyra,.....	50,455.84	Thomas Willson, Com'r,er,	48,678.16	1,777.18
Springfield,.....	64,694.51	Joel H. Hayden, "	64,098.49	596.02
Lexington,.....	48,565.99	A. M. Robinson, "	24,945.08	21,620.96
Fayette,.....	67,883.90	John P. Harris, "	67,809.87	574.03
Plattsburg,.....	271,519.96	S. S. Leonard, "	269,608.80	1,916.66
".....	25,661.47	H. T. Fort, "	24,862.87	1,298.60
	526,781.17		498,997.72	27,783.45

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct statement of the amount of State Lands remaining unsold in this District.

Very respectfully,

PETER EARLEY, Receiver,
State Land Office at Edina, Mo.

Mr. Butler, of the Springfield Land Office replies as follows:

REGISTER'S OFFICE, }
Springfield, Mo., Dec. 27th, 1854. }

SIR: Your favor of the 4th instant, is at hand. I find from an examination of the plats in my possession, that there is yet unsold of the State Lands in this district 89,262.48-100.

Hoping this will be satisfactory,

I am very respectfully, your ob't serv't,

B. F. BUTLER,
Register State Lands, Springfield, Mo.

ALLEN P. RICHARDSON, Esq.,
Register of Lands, Jefferson City, Mo.

Mr. Holly, of Savannah Land Office, does not reply "officially" but gives his opinion that there is about seventeen thousand acres remaining unsold. The land which was rejected from the lists of the Commissioners, who selected in the Lexington and Plattsburg district, was originally 24,836.22-100 acres, of this amount, there was by some error or misunderstanding, retained on the books at the Chillicothe Land Office 11,367.03. The officers at that place have sold of these rejected lands, 5,774.59-100, leaving a balance unsold of 5,592.44-100, which were never confirmed to the State. This error of 11,267.03, deducted from the whole list remaining unsold at Chillicothe, leaves a balance unsold, of actual State lands of twenty-four thousand five hundred and ten acres and fifty hundredths, 24,510.50
The amount unsold at Edina, (see letter of P. Earley,) is 21,728.13
" " " at Springfield, (see letter of B. F. Butler,) 89,262.43
" " " at Savannah, about 17,000.00

Making in all unsold of the 500,000 acre grant, 102,496.06

The original reports made to this office by the Commissioners appointed to select and locate the same, with the approved lists made by the Commissioner of the General Land Office—the tracts rejected for valid considerations, including tracts substituted in lieu thereof, have never been placed upon record; but remain in memoranda books and manuscript as received and filed in this office. Therefore, the Register respectfully suggests that they be made a matter of record for future convenience in examinations, &c., for the following reasons:

1st. Because said manuscripts and memoranda books of original selections does not contain evidence of the rejected tracts, or those substituted in their place by the Secretary of the Treasury.

2d. Because when compiled and systematically arranged, will preclude error in the future, and aid in rectifying those already committed, which, in their present condition, can only be done by a thorough perusal of all the whole mass of evidence contained in lists of selections, rejections and letters explanatory of the same, which act as a key to the whole

subject when taken connectedly, but whilst the various lists remain disjointed as separate files of paper, confusion and error must be the result, and the numerous errors presented for the investigation of the Register growing out of an improper understanding of the history of the selections and other details connected with the 500,000 acre grant, induces the recommendation of the following order of arrangement for an *explanatory record*, to have

1st. The letters of instructions to Commissioners and other officers, as a preface to the volume.

2d. The lists of original selections by the Commissioners, with notes on the margin of the record, opposite each tract rejected, from those lists, giving in *brief* the objections urged by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, why said tract or tracts were rejected.

3d. The lists "approved" or confirmed to the State, with the tracts substituted in lieu of those stricken off the original list.

4th. Record the letters explanatory of said list, giving all the reasons of the Commissioner for approvals, rejections, &c.

This plan, in the judgment of the Register, would perpetuate the history of the 500,000 acre grant, now liable to be misunderstood, and result in general loss to the State as well as individual holders of the same, by virtue of State authority.

With this view of the subject, touching the past history of the five hundred thousand acre grant, the Register leaves the subject to the action of the Legislature.

Taxation of State Lands.

A controverted question of law has arisen growing out of the action of the Register in asserting the right of the State to impose a tax upon State lands, before the expiration of five years after sale or DATE OF PATENT issued to the purchaser by the State.

The right of the State to impose a tax, has been called in question by some of the citizens of Buchanan, Andrew, Gentry and Holt counties; and by some of the county courts the act of the Register in certifying them out for taxation has been declared illegal and void, consequently not assessed for the year 1854, or the back years for which taxes were due. This brings a conflict of opinion between the Register, some of the County Court Judges, and a portion of the people in North-west Missouri. The Register therefore takes pleasure in laying before the Legislature the reasons for his action in the premises, and the ground upon which he rests the right of the State to assess and collect a tax upon all lands not exempted from a legal tax for the period of five years, either by the act of Congress "approved 6th March, 1820," or the ordinance of July 19th of the same year, ratifying and accepting the provisions of the act of Congress, preparatory to the admission of Missouri into the Union.

The proposition contained in the act of Congress bearing upon this question was, that all lands sold after a certain period, should remain EXEMPT from the imposition of a tax for the period of five years after entry. This proposition, though seemingly hard was accepted and ratified by the people of Missouri through their constituted delegates in convention at St. Louis, on the 19th day of July, 1820, in the shape of an ordinance, found in these words, "*that every and each tract of land sold by the United States from*

and after the first day of January next, shall remain EXEMPT from any tax laid by order, or under the authority of the State, whether for State, County or Township, or any other purpose whatever, for the term of five years, from and after the day of sale."

The above quotation from the ordinance is conclusive evidence of itself, aside from the reason for the passage of the ordinance that no State lands were included in the EXEMPTION; the language being explicit and not susceptible of a double construction, having reference alone to United States lands, and did not refer either directly or remotely to lands owned and sold by the State of Missouri.

There is a general principle of law, applicable to the understanding of this question. The reason for the adoption of the exemption clause was to facilitate the sale of Congress lands. Then from the time of the passage of the act of "4th September, 1841" donating part of the public lands to Missouri, the reason of the ordinance ceased to exist, and when the reason of a law ceases to exist, both the effect and law itself ceases to operate. So with the ordinance, it could not facilitate the sale of the public lands, if applicable to State lands, hence the reason and effect both ceased to operate on State lands at the time of donating them to the State of Missouri.

It is argued by those holding adverse opinions to the Register on this subject, that most of the valuable lands in the Platte purchase were claimed by pre-emption rights under the general government, and afterwards forfeited and selected by State authority as a part of the 500,000 acre grant, and that the same rights were guaranteed them by the State, that they possessed under act of Congress for the government of pre-emptors on Congress Land; it is also claimed that the same law which extended the right of pre-emption under the State, revived, also, the right of exemption under the ordinance; how far this is true, will be seen by the 9th section of the law regulating the selection and sale of the 500,000 acre grant; it is as follows:

"SEC. 9. The Commissioner, in the discharge of his duties may select all such lands as may, from any cause, be forfeited by persons entitled to pre-emptions to the same under any act of Congress; but such persons, after the selection of any such lands by the Commissioner, shall have the same right of pre-emption to the said lands, under the authority of this State, as they possessed prior to said forfeiture under any of the acts of Congress."

The argument that the 9th section revived the right of exemption, although the State became the holder, is certainly not well founded; because the only rights revived in the act quoted above, were the rights of pre-emptors only, not the right to resist the payment of taxes five years after a patent has been issued to purchasers from the State; or even five years after entry. Those who relinquished their pre-emptions in order that the State might select, did so not for the reason of an exemption, but on account of the State proposing to secure their pre-emption claims, and allow them the privilege of entering and paying for their lands by "annual instalments," which was considered as an equivalent for the exemption from the imposition of a tax under operation of the ordinance.

In addition to the above reasoning, it is necessary for a proper understanding of the question to show what lands are required to be taxed under operation of our general Statute law on the subject of taxation, found under the head of Revenue, Revised Statutes, page 927-8, chapter 147, article 1st.

The first section of this article, revised from the Statutes of 1835, points

out specifically the subjects upon which taxes may be levied in these words, viz: "Lands and lots of ground, including the houses and improvements thereon." This is a general clause in the law, and in the absence of other specific legislation, would be applicable to all lands without discrimination, both State and Federal, sold or unsold, but the law-giver seeing room for misconstruction of the above clause, entered a saving clause, specifically pointing out the exempted lands, agreeing with the provisions of the ordinance found under head of *exemptions*, and in these words: Section 2. "Lands exempted by the *ordinance* of this State, passed on the 19th day of July, 1820," so it is clear that the only lands *exempted* by the Statutes of the State are the same exempted by the ordinance, and ratified by the people in convention, and were denominated "lands sold by the United States" and not lands donated by the United States to the State of Missouri, and afterwards sold by State *authority*, and if it is intended to exempt the 500,000 acre grant from the imposition of a tax, then the same reasoning must apply to the Seminary, Saline and Township School lands, all of which have invariably been sent out for taxation each year, and paid on without a murmur.

The first quotation of law from the Statute is affirmative in its character, and general in its provisions, and in *letter and spirit*, includes all lands not *exempted* by the second negative clause which exempted one class of lands only—those owned and sold by the general government. Therefore the Register not being able to see that any other than Federal lands had been exempted from taxation for a limited period, either under operation of the ordinance or the general statute law on the subject of *taxing* lands, could not do otherwise than certify them out for taxation so long as the law remains unchanged, and he follows the dictates of common reason under his obligation to perform faithfully the duties enjoined by law. These are the facts and law bearing on the question, and are submitted for the action of the Legislature from whose decision there will be no "appeal."

Lands sold at the different United States Land Offices.

The following table exhibits the quantity of lands sold in each Land District of the State under its appropriate head—showing the two years' sales sent from this office, and added to the tax list of 1854. One column exhibits the lands sold and taxable under the compact between the general government and State of Missouri. The other represents the quantity sold during the year 1853 and made taxable in 1854, under the provisions of the act of Congress "approved 10th June, 1852:"

The quantity sold in each District from 28th Feb., 1848, to 28th Feb., 1849, and taxable under compact:		The amount sold in 1853 and made taxable in 1854, by virtue of an act of Congress 10th of June, 1852:	
	Acres.		Acres.
Clinton District.....	69,600	Clinton District.....	304,800
Jackson "	78,400	Jackson "	245,600
Springfield "	48,200	Springfield "	110,320
St. Louis "	78,640	St. Louis "	145,600
Fayette "	86,260	Fayette "	141,660
Plattsburg "	93,520	Plattsburg "	107,840
Palmyra "	34,160	Palmyra "	186,500
Milan "		Milan "	74,830
	483,780		1,267,250
			483,780

Making sold, in the two years, the sum of..... 1,751,030

There was patented and sent from this office, State lands of the 500,000 acre grant, the Seminary, Saline and Township School lands, upwards of.....	800,000
Making a sum total sent out for taxation in 1854 of.....	2,051,080
Showing an increase over 1853 of 90,030 acres.	

The full returns from all the United States Land Offices, which are subject to taxation, for the present year, 1855, have not been received but a sufficient quantity has been returned, to show a two-fold increase of taxable lands over the year 1854, these lists were requested early in the month of October, and the delay is no fault of the Register at this place, nor can a just blame be attached to the United States officers, for they have been measurably overwhelmed in business, owing to the unparalleled rush to the office, to enter lands under the "Graduation Bill." There are eight United States Land Offices in the State, six have been heard from in full, Fayette, Springfield, Palmyra, St. Louis, Clinton and Milan. These lands are required to be in the counties by the 1st of February, and with the present force in the office, although the Legislature at its last session, allowed the assistance of one additional clerk, the Register will not be able to get them out before the last of March, or first of April, although he has employed three additional clerks, making five now employed, and the Legislature must remember that, "The laborer is worthy of his hire."

Forfeited Tax Lands.

The Register respectfully suggests the propriety of a change in the law regulating the advertising and sale of the lands which become forfeited to the State. The law now requires the Register, "annually to advertise all lands remaining unredeemed in his office," and the consequence is, that lands are often advertised one, two, and three times before a purchaser is found, and if no one purchase, which is the case with upwards of twenty thousand tracts now in the office, they become forfeited to the State. The amount due the State from these lands is over twenty thousand dollars, this process is already accumulating large volumes of *forfeited* and *sold* lands, perplexing in the nature of things and complicated in detail, and is brought about in this manner. Lands were offered for sale last October, and a large portion of them became forfeited to the State, and the next spring they are again re-advertised and offered for sale, in addition to the original delinquent lands returned, annually, and after sale reported back to this office, and recorded in connection with those purchased by individuals, and so on successively each year until confusion must result from the present system of advertising and selling lands for taxes. To obviate this difficulty, the Register suggests the propriety of collecting all the forfeited lands, and advertise them as the *forfeited land list*, and all that are not sold, and all hereafter forfeited to the State, to be recorded in a well bound book, to be called the "*Forfeited Tax Land Register*," and remain in office without further expense of advertising, subject to redemption by the owner or any person for him, or liable to individual entry by paying a stipulated sum into the treasury, as in the case of Seminary and Saline Lands, and the proceeds of said entries to enure to the common school fund of the State.

Provisions of law may be fixed so as to require the Register to issue tax deed, immediately conveying such land so entered in *fee simple* or await limited time for redemption as is now the case.

It would be well for the Legislature to fix the number of times the Register is required to advertise tax lands before they become *absolutely forfeited to the State*, and subject to entry at his office.

The foregoing suggestions are thrown out after years of experience, and hope something may be done in order to prevent the rapid accumulation of perplexing matter in the office which results in no general good, either to the State or individuals.

Return of Delinquent Lists.

The great quantity of lands returned delinquent each year, offered for sale and become forfeited to the State, shows the propriety of so amending the present law that holders of lands may be prompted to vigilant action in the payment of taxes in the counties. It is generally the case that collectors have spent months in fruitless attempts to collect the revenue, and when starting for Jefferson are incumbered with large packages of papers, memorandums, &c., for the purpose of paying taxes "off" the very list which the collector had been presenting through the county for near half the year, this practice incumbers the Register with a vast amount of additional labor during the winter months, and is one attended not only with burthensome delays to collectors in discharge of their official duties at the seat of government, but cuts them out of the commission for the collection of that amount of revenue, at the same time throws confusion into the duties of the Register in settling the accounts of collectors and clerks for various services attending the sale of lands for taxes.

To prevent the frequent occurrence of this practice and render more effectual the labors of the collectors in collecting the revenue in the counties, it would be well to fix a penalty of twenty-five cents for each tract returned and paid on at the Register's office, to be collected and disposed of as in the judgment of the Legislature may seem proper.

Lands returned delinquent and advertised for sale under the present law are subject to the penalty of fifteen per cent. added to the printer's fee; this penalty, in the judgment of the Register, is too small to force prompt payments of taxes, or secure speedy redemption of those lands forfeited to the State; one hundred per cent. would not be unreasonable in view of a speedy collection of revenue, and a general preventative against the rapid accumulation of forfeited lands in this office, destined to prove burthensome to the officer, expensive to the State, and perplexing to the owner, the question may be asked, does the tax land system pay under the present provisions of law? the answer is found in the following subjoined statement of amount of general expenditures, receipts, &c., as near as could be ascertained.

No. of tracts advertised in 1853, was 20,745, amount received,	\$7,225 13
No. of tracts advertised in 1854, was 19,833, " "	7,165 58
Leaving out of the estimate for 1854, six counties, not returned as yet, which is estimated at	834 00
Making probable receipts for the two years, of	\$15,224 66
The general expenses incurred for Printing, Clerks and Collector's fees, is	5,446 24
Nett proceeds for two years sales,	\$9,778 42

The above shows that so far as actual expenditures are concerned, the State receives back more than expended, but when it is remembered that there was due the State, before the publication of the lists, upwards of twenty thousand dollars, the income is but comparatively small, and argues strongly for a numerical assessment of all the taxable lands in the State. The small amount collected, is owing to a lack of confidence in the minds of the people, as to the correctness of the number of lands as assessed, under the present alphabetical system. Lands being assessed in alphabetical order in place of numerical arrangement by townships, become often assessed two and three times, to different individuals, and paid once in the county by the proper owner, and the two erroneous assessments are returned delinquent, one of which is stricken off in advertising, under the numerical arrangement, the other is advertised, offered for sale and becomes forfeited to the State, and the accumulation of forfeited lands in this office, measureably grows out of improper assessments, and when that evil is corrected, the large amount of forfeited and delinquent land lists, will be reduced.

The Register is of opinion, that if proper amendments were made with regard to the law for assessing and collecting the revenue, the sale of lands for taxes would prove effectual, for the collection of the taxes due the State.

Report of Sales of Lands for Taxes.

The law should be so amended as to require the collectors in reporting the sale lists to the clerks of their counties to give the full name of the purchaser, the amount paid, including all cost, in a separate column, and a penalty attached for neglect of duty. There has been difficulties in this particular by two persons of the same sir-name purchasing lands having also in their names the same initials. Samuel Shaw, of a certain county purchased lands for taxes, his lands were reported S. Shaw, and Southworth Shaw of another county, purchased lands, and his was reported S. Shaw also—the result was that Samuel Shaw applied to the Auditor and got more money than entitled to, and Southworth Shaw applied and received less than his own, hence his agent complained, laying the blame on the State officers when it was an omission in the collectors in not writing out the full name of the purchasers.

Tax Deeds, Seminary, Saline and Township School Land Patents, Certificate of Redemptions, Scripts, &c.

During the two years ending January 1855, there have been tax deeds issued for 1,200 tracts of land, for Seminary Saline and Township School Lands, 1,750 tracts, and each deed recorded in this office.

Scripts for Redemption and for payment of taxes for 2,113 tracts, and certificates of redemption and tax receipts issued to the proper persons.

The foregoing facts and suggestions, are respectfully submitted for the action of the Legislature.

ALLEN P. RICHARDSON,
Register of Lands.

REPORT

OF THE

STATE TREASURER OF MISSOURI,

TO THE

EIGHTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, MISSOURI,
Treasurer's Office, City of Jefferson, Jan. 2d, 1855. }

In compliance with the law regulating the Treasury Department, the undersigned has the honor to submit to the General Assembly, the following biennial report for the two years ending 30th September, 1854.

RECEIPTS IN THE FIRST YEAR.				
1st Quarter, 1852,	-	-	-	112,796 22
2d do 1853,	-	-	-	292,799 25
3d do 1853,	-	-	-	287,480 58
4th do 1853,	-	-	-	90,899 70
				\$733,975 70
RECEIPTS IN THE SECOND YEAR.				
1st Quarter, 1853,	-	-	-	114,356 44
2d do 1854,	-	-	-	322,191 22
3d do 1854,	-	-	-	49,581 56
4th do 1854,	-	-	-	84,171 25
				\$570,250 47
				\$1,304,226 17

THE RECEIPTS into the Treasury are composed of the following items, to-wit:

Revenue Fund.....	\$808,665 00	
Add proceeds of sale of State Bonds.....	208,875 63	
Building the Capitol.....		\$1,017,540 63
Act to enclose the Capitol.....		42 20
Road and Canal Fund.....		17 79
State School moneys.....		47,863 47
Seminary Fund.....		168,382 89
Sinking Fund.....		1,841 43
Saline Fund.....		1,835 08
Executors and Administrators.....		5,084 01
Internal Improvement Fund.....		3,224 61
Redemption of Lands.....		55,381 95
		8,012 11
		\$1,804,226 17

DISBURSEMENTS IN THE FIRST YEAR.			
1st Quarter, 1852.....	\$66,990	80	
2d do 1852.....	216,461	78	
3d do 1852.....	99,823	06	
4th do 1852.....	884,090	20	
			\$767,365 34
DISBURSEMENTS IN THE SECOND YEAR.			
1st Quarter, 1853.....	\$67,447	06	
2d do 1853.....	190,621	04	
3d do 1853.....	114,403	86	
4th do 1853.....	83,932	96	
			\$456,464 92
			\$1,223,830 26

THE DISBURSEMENTS consist of the following items. to-wit :

State Lunatic Asylum Fund.....	\$599	19
Act to provide for educating the blind.....	6,000	00
Act to provide for the reclamation of swamp lands.....	28,500	00
Civil Officers.....	88,875	51
County Revenue.....	2,706	25
General Assembly.....	56,331	67
Special acts.....	29,888	24
General contingent fund.....	12,981	71
Assessing and collecting the Revenue.....	33,337	39
Printing Laws and Journals.....	8,788	01
Distributing Laws and Journals.....	1,675	00
Copying Laws and Journals.....	1,777	52
Publishing Decisions of Supreme Court.....	1,298	96
Militia Officers.....	452	29
Costs in Criminal cases.....	51,848	02
Principal of State Bonds.....	255,000	00
Interest on State Bonds.....	98,781	48
Contingent expenses of General Assembly.....	12,084	04
" " Elections.....	69	30
" " Auditor of Public Accounts.....	789	40
" " State Treasurer.....	338	86
" " Attorney General.....	275	80
" " Governor and Secretary of State.....	2,086	07
" " Militia.....	86	45
" " Register of Lands.....	1,564	02
" " Fitting up, &c., of Governor's house.....	250	00
Act to amend an act to establish an Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb.....	7,862	89
Act to amend an act to establish an Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb.....	83,648	16
Act to provide for the support of the State Lunatic Asylum.....	30,000	00
Act to provide for the enlargement of the State Lunatic Asylum.....	23,000	00
Act to provide for building an Asylum for the Blind.....	20,000	00
Act to incorporate the Missouri State Agricultural Society.....	2,000	00
Act to provide for a Geological Survey of the State.....	15,413	61
Act to provide for the management of the Penitentiary.....	25,000	00
Taking the census.....	6,970	32
Act to provide for the support of Government.....	1,200	60
Act to finish the State Capitol.....	19,848	23
Improvement of Des Moines river.....	1,280	00
Road and Canal fund.....	39,377	63
State school moneys.....	229,597	43
Seminary fund.....	1,117	07
Executor's and Administrator's.....	1,280	74
Internal Improvement fund.....	68,278	13
Redemption of lands.....	2,881	87
	\$1,223,830	26

BALANCE in the Treasury 1st October, 1854.

Balance in the Treasury October 1st, 1852.....	\$415,983 94
Deduct amount wolf-scalp certificates burnt by the committee in 1852.....	8,813 50
	<hr/> 412,170 44
Add amount receipts in the two years ending 30th September, 1854.....	1,804,226 17
	<hr/> 1,716,396 61
Deduct amount disbursements in the two years ending 30th Sept., 1854....	1,223,830 26
Balance in the Treasury October 1st, 1854.....	<hr/> \$492,566 35

THE BALANCE consists of the following funds, including the balances due the same on the 1st October, 1852.

Building the Capitol.....	\$551 65
Act to enclose the Capitol.....	49 94
Military fund.....	102 04
Road and Canal fund.....	9,402 96
State school moneys.....	51,587 50
Seminary fund.....	774 86
Sinking fund.....	6,352 08
Saline fund.....	10,919 32
Executor's and Administrator's.....	11,619 95
Internal Improvement fund.....	17,012 99
Redemption of Lands.....	2,188 87
Mormon, Iowa and other Wars.....	864 61
Improvement of Main street.....	1 07
Revenue fund composed of cash in the Treasury and certificates of deposits in Bank.....	854,874 21
Wolf-scalp certificates.....	4,359 50
Land certificates.....	2,035 71
State Bonds.....	19,869 59
	<hr/> \$492,566 35

The foregoing is a statement of the condition of the Treasury for the last two years, commencing 1st October, 1852, and terminating 30th September, 1854.

The following statement will exhibit the condition of the Road and Canal fund, which the Treasurer, by an act of the General Assembly, entitled "An act concerning the Road and Canal fund, approved March 7th, 1835," is required to submit in his biennial report.

CONDITION of the Road and Canal Fund.

Amount received in the two years ending 30th September, 1854.....	\$47,863 47
Add balance in the Treasury 1st October, 1852.....	917 12
	48,780 59
Deduct apportionment made in January, 1853, of \$316, which has been paid to each county in the State, except Vernon and Pemiscot..	88,625 00
	10,155 59
Deduct apportionment of 1850, paid Shannon county.....	161 50
	9,994 09
Deduct previous apportionments paid Ripley county	591 18
Balance in the Treasury October 1st, 1854.....	\$9,402 96

COUNTIES to which apportionments are due.

St. Louis county is entitled to the apportionment of 1850.....	\$161 50
Pemiscot county is entitled to the apportionment of 1853.....	875 00
Vernon county is entitled to the apportionment of 1853.....	875 00
Surplus in the Treasury, over the several apportionments.....	8,491 46
Balance in the Treasury 1st of October, 1854.....	\$9,402 96

The foregoing tables contain a full statement of the amount of receipts into, and disbursements from the Treasury in the two years ending 30th September, 1854. The following table will exhibit the amount received and expended in the quarter commencing October 1st, 1854, and ending December 31st, 1854.

Amount of revenue fund received from 1st October, 1854, to 31st December, 1854.....	\$69,076 46	
Deduct the amount warrants redeemed in the same period,...	24,589 78	\$44,536 78
Amount received of special funds from 1st October, 1854, to 31st December, 1854.....	\$11,820 24	
Deduct the amount of warrants redeemed in the same period,...	6,892 47	\$4,427 77
		\$48,964 50

By reference to the statement showing the condition of the Road and Canal Fund, it will be seen that the amount in the Treasury, subject to apportionment is \$8,491 46. I have received information that there is of that fund in the United States Treasury, belonging to this State, \$23,178 25, which amount, together with the balance unapportioned above stated, will in a short time be distributed amongst the several counties in the State, as the law requires.

In my former report, reference was made to an amount of State Bonds and Land Office certificates, which are now in the Treasury and included in the balance, as will be seen by reference to a statement in this report.

It is again respectfully suggested, that an act be passed authorizing the Auditor to issue warrants therefor, that the same may be canceled and filed in the proper office.

A. W. MORRISON,
State Treasurer.

REPORT

OF THE

TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF CURATORS OF THE STATE UNIVERSITY, TO THE EIGHTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MISSOURI.

COLUMBIA Mo., }
December 25th, 1854. }

To the General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

GENTLEMEN: It again becomes my duty as Treasurer of the Board of Curators of the University of the State, to lay before you a statement of the amount paid for the benefit of the Institution, since my last report, which you will please find below:

Amount paid since the 28th of January, 1852 to December 1st, 1854.

To amount paid	President University.....	\$ 6,145 00
"	" Professors "	11,639 73
"	" Tutors "	5,302 03
"	" Curators "	792 08
"	" Library "	1,934 43
"	" Observatory.....	1,171 81
"	" Chemical apparatus.....	650 00
"	" Secretary Board.....	280 00
"	" Treasurer "	150 00
"	" Chemicals, paints, stationery, &c.....	150 00
"	" Printing	346 70
"	" Librarian	100 00
"	" Advertising.....	145 00
"	" Fuel.....	258 65
"	" Diplomas.....	100 00
"	" Expenses Prof. Chemistry.....	155 57
"	" Music	100 00

To amount paid Freight	49 48
“ “ Attorney fee.....	50 00
“ “ Postage.....	11 85
“ “ Repairing University edifice, building a two story addition to President's house, en- closing University grounds with a plank fence, and other fixtures in and about the same.....	9,856 62

Total\$39,389 05

I hereby certify that the above amount \$39,389 05 has been paid by the
Treasurer of the Board since the 28th of June, 1852, to the 1st December,
1854.

W. H. DUNCAN.

Treasurer Board of Curators of the University of Missouri.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE
TRANSMITTING REPORT OF THE CURATORS OF
THE STATE UNIVERSITY.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE,
Jefferson City, Mo., January 5th, 1855. }

GENTLEMEN: In compliance with the 41st section of the second article of "an act to provide for the institution and support of a State University; and for the government of Colleges and Academies," approved February 11, 1839, I have the honor to transmit herewith, the report of the Curators of the State University.

Very respectfully,

JOHN M. RICHARDSON, *Secretary of State.*

TO THE HON. JOHN M. RICHARDSON, *Secretary of State:*

SIR: We are authorized by the Curators of the State University, to submit the following as their regular biennial report of the manner in which they have discharged the duties of their very responsible office.

Several changes have occurred in the Board of Instruction since the meeting of the last General Assembly. George C. Swallow, A. M., having received the appointment of State Geologist from the Governor, resigned the chair of Chemistry, Geology, &c.; and Robert S. Thomas having been elected President of William Jewell College, resigned the chair of English Literature. This occurred at the June meeting of the Board, 1853. At a called meeting, held on the first day of October, 1853, these vacancies were supplied by the election of J. Locke, A. M., of Cincinnati, Ohio, to the chair of Chemistry, and of J. I. Jacob, A. M., of Virginia, to the chair of English Literature. The former of these gentlemen reached the University on the 21st day of October, and the latter on the 7th day of December, of the same year. They immediately entered, industriously and successfully, upon the discharge of their respective duties, and have realized the most sanguine expectations of the Board. In this connection it may be stated, that Sterling Price, Jr., A. M., tutor in the University, was, in July last, promoted to the place of Adjunct Professor of the chair of English Literature; he having, in the judgment of the faculty, highly distinguished himself by energy and success as a teacher. At the June meeting, 1853, Adjunct Professor Head was elected Librarian, and entered at once upon the arrangement and classification of such books as formed the library of the University. This was a work of no small difficulty; but Mr. Head has at length, numbered, sorted and listed the volumes, and recovered that department from a condition of extreme neglect and confusion. From the interest manifested in the library by the Board and the Legislature, in making liberal appropriations for its increase, it bids fair to become, as it should, a leading feature of the University. It contains at this time 1681 volumes. Of these, 1024 belonged to the library in August, 1853; the remainder have been received since that time from the following sources, viz: One hundred and forty-nine volumes as donations from the U. S. Government, members of Congress, authors, &c., mostly public documents; ninety-two volumes by purchase, under the agency of Prof. Swallow, at the cost of \$291 41; and four hundred and sixteen volumes by purchase, from funds in the hands of Prof. Locke, at the cost of \$420. When all the books contracted for come in, there will be in the Library about 2,000 volumes, besides about 300 pamphlets. The Librarian has now in his hands over seven hundred dollars, (\$774 86-100) which

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will be invested in books as soon as practicable. This money is the proceeds of the sale of Seminary lands, and came into his hands under authority of an act passed at the last session of the General Assembly, entitled "An act for the Relief of the State University."

The Observatory lately constructed under the direction of Professor W. W. Hudson, is now completed and equipped for observation. The total cost of this building was \$1,150. Its superintendence necessarily devolved upon the Professor of Natural Philosophy, Astronomy, &c., who, with untiring energy and care, caused it to be constructed with the most modern improvements. Too much praise cannot be awarded Professor Hudson for the manner of his discharge of this duty, by which his department has been enriched beyond measure. The dry text of Astronomy is now illuminated by the delightful observations of the heavens, that accompany and illustrate his lectures—making his science at once a leading and charming feature in the course of the student. A brief description of the apparatus mounted and in use will more clearly indicate the means of this department for thorough instruction. The telescope is mounted equatorially, and rests upon a pillar, which has no connection with the floors of the building; the roof of the equatorial room is a rotary cone, which is intersected in opposite directions by openings that allow ample scope for observation. The cone rolls on eight lignum vitæ balls, and is confined to its base only by its gravity. The transit room exhibits three openings from north to south for the play of telescopes. This room contains four instruments, viz: astronomical clock, transit theodolite, altitude and azimuth instrument, and transit circle. These instruments rest on pillars, which are sunk far into the ground, and which have no connection with the floor. The clock has mercurial compensation, and was used at the time of its purchase for the rating of chronometers. The transit theodolite is divided to 30'', and its angles are read by microscopes; the ends of the magnetic needle are mounted with verniers, which enable the observer to determine the daily as well as the yearly variations with much precision. The circles of the altitude and azimuth instrument are twelve inches in diameter, and are divided to 10''. This instrument has all the usual appliances for accurate observation, and was made by Fayver, of London. The telescope of the transit circle has a focal length of sixty centimeters. Its vertical circle has a diameter of 84 centimeters, and is divided to 3''. This instrument was made by Brunner, of Paris, and was on exhibition at the Crystal Palace during the summer and fall, until purchased by the University.

The number of students in attendance for the collegiate year ending July 1st, 1858, was one hundred and eighty-one, collected from eleven States and Territories, extending from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and from St. Paul to the Gulf of Mexico. Of these, one hundred and two were over eighteen years of age at the time of entering the University; one hundred and seventy-three were over fifteen, and all but two were over fourteen.

At the commencement of July 4th, 1858, fourteen young gentlemen graduated in the arts to the degree of Bachelor, (A. B.) and seven others subcourse to that of Master, (A. M.) The honorary degree of Master of Arts was also conferred upon two very worthy gentlemen.

The number of students entered during the last year, was one hundred and fifty; ten were graduated to the first degree, eight to that of the second

degree in course; and two gentlemen, one a graduate of Kemper, and the other of Bacon College, received the honorary degree of *Majister Artium*, (A. M.)

On the twentieth of November last, one hundred and ten students had entered the University, from the States of California, Texas, Georgia, Mississippi, Louisiana, Kentucky, Illinois and Missouri.

This number is highly gratifying, when we take into account the effect of hard times, short crops, and especially of a misunderstanding a short time since, very current through Missouri, and some of the adjoining States, that students would be charged five dollars per week for board, in Columbia. It is known that very many, who had made arrangements to come to the University, were by these statements deterred from coming, and sent to other Institutions. That so large a number should have come, under such disadvantages, is an unmistakeable evidence of the growing popularity of the Institution.

Of these, one hundred are over fifteen years of age, and sixty-seven over eighteen. A goodly number of them have been school teachers, who are now preparing themselves for a higher order of usefulness in this very important and honorable department of the public service.

That so young an Institution in a frontier State, should have attained in a few years to a standing so honorable, is a just cause of congratulation, to every true friend of our educational interests.

The house occupied by the President, and which we were forced almost to re-construct to ensure its permanence and usefulness, for domestic purposes, is now complete. It is now a substantial and comfortable dwelling, more roomy than formerly, and well calculated for an excellent family residence.

The University Edifice has been repaired from time to time as necessity required. So large and costly a building is constantly requiring more or less expenditure and care to remedy the defects of workmanship, and the ordinary wear and damage caused by use, and the action of the elements. The President of the Board has very lately effected an insurance upon those buildings for six years, respectively, and at the rate of seven per cent. The sum of ten thousand dollars in the Boone County Home Mutual Company, and ten thousand dollars in the Saint Louis Mutual Insurance Company, have been secured on the University building, by policy, at the rate, and for the time mentioned, subject to such further calls, as the constitutions and by-laws of those companies require. It is intended also to secure the edifice further, by an insurance in some other good company, for the sum of ten thousand dollars more.

The President's house was also insured, at the same time, at the same rate, and for six years, in the Boone County Home Mutual Insurance Company, for the sum of four hundred dollars.

For a complete statement of the sums spent, in improvement and repairs, the whole amount received and expended by the Board, together with all the financial operations of the University, since your last session, you are respectfully referred to the report of the Treasurer of the Board of Curators.

At a called meeting held on the 29th of November last it was deemed advisable to increase the salaries of the faculty of arts, except the President of the University, who holds his office by contract, at a fixed salary, and for an agreed term. At that time each Professor received twelve hundred dollars, and each Adjunct seven hundred and twenty-five dollars

per annum for their services. It was therefore ordered that each Professor receive for the present year, the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, and each Adjunct Professor the sum of nine hundred dollars for the same term. It is but just to the gentlemen of the faculty to state, that this increase of pay was the spontaneous act of the Board, in view of well known facts, and unknown to, and without any solicitation by the professors. The high rates of living, and consequently the advance of the price of labor in all the branches of employment, were well known to all, and imperatively demanded the attention of the Curators. Men engaged in literary pursuits, and forbidden by their calling to engage in trade and speculation, should, above all others, be free from the embarrassments of debt and be able to devote all their energies to their peculiar vocation. It is but fair, too, that labor should be paid its value, and it was considered that the services of the faculty were well worth the sums severally ordered to be paid them. Just here we would call the attention of the General Assembly to a case of peculiar hardship, growing out of an act passed at the session of 1846-7, limiting the salary of the Treasurer of the Board at fifty dollars per annum. That officer had previously to that time received such sums as were allowed by the Board for his services, varying from one to two hundred dollars per year. He is yet in office, and has faithfully discharged his weighty trust with consummate fidelity to the Institution, since the passage of the act alluded to, for the inconsiderable sum of fifty dollars a year. When it is considered that he is the depository of about fifteen thousand dollars, annually, for which he becomes responsible by bond, well secured; that he personally receives all the tuition fees of an average of over one hundred and fifty students at the opening, and during the progress of each session; and that every dollar of salary, as well as the most trifling sums of current expense, must be paid by him, in person, it will be clear to every man that fifty dollars does not and cannot compensate him for his services. We would therefore urge upon your honorable body the repeal of the act referred to, restricting the salary of the Treasurer of this Board, that for the future the Curators may determine and pay to that officer whatever they may deem to be the worth of his services. At the same time they would recommend to your favorable consideration the passage of a suitable act, providing that William H. Duncan, the gentleman in question, shall be permitted to apply for, and to receive such other and further compensation as will reasonably pay him for his valuable services, since the passage of said act.

The attention of the General Assembly would be respectfully directed to the establishment in the University, of an additional chair of instruction devoted to the subject of Agriculture. Such a department seems called for, by the wants of a numerous class of our citizens, who are not sufficiently provided for by the ordinary arrangement of a collegiate institution. The man of science, the professional man, and even the artisan may be trained and launched upon a career of reputation and usefulness, under the ordinary instructions of a liberal institution; but such is not the good fortune of the farmer. The tillers of the soil are awakening to the importance of a knowledge of soils, manures, and the most judicious modes of tillage. The rotation of crops, the means of restoring fertility to impoverished lands, of making poor soil rich, and rich soil richer, are subjects of absorbing interest to the farmer in every portion of the country. In the development of the true wealth of the country, the thorough teaching

of this science would accomplish immense results. Science which has accomplished so many miracles in the industrial world, inventing machinery to cheapen labor, in the factory and the workshop, and multiplying, beyond computation the products of human skill, has at length been harnessed to the plough; and it requires no prophetic power to anticipate the day when the improvements in husbandry shall vie with the wonders of the power press and the spinning-Jenny.

Should the General Assembly provide for the establishment of such a department in the University, we would suggest that the salary of the Professor to be called to such chair, be paid out of the State Treasury. The funds of the Institution are barely sufficient to meet the demands of the present faculty, and to pay the current expenses necessary to be annually incurred. The balance on hand in the Treasury of the Board at the present time results from the unusual dividend declared by the Bank for the last year, and no one can tell with certainty how long we may be able to meet the demands of the present faculty upon us. The protection and encouragement extended to agriculture by your honorable body, by the creation of an agricultural society under the auspices of the State gives us reason to hope that your fostering care and liberal support will be extended to a professorship of agriculture in the University.

In conclusion we would announce with proud satisfaction that the Institution is daily realizing the most sanguine wishes of its friends. At each succeeding session its halls are crowded with ardent youths, emulous of scientific attainments, and studious in the pursuit of truth. The President and Professors have the confidence equally of the Students and the Board, each officer is prompt and attentive to his respective duties, and the most harmonious feelings pervade every portion of the Institution. Men more devoted to the care and training of youth could scarcely be found, or when found, give more general satisfaction. With such cheering and hopeful prospects before it, the University cannot fail to be cherished by every faithful lover of his country. Already scores of our youth claim her as *Alma-mater*; her reputation widens with each successive year, her means of instruction are rapidly enlarging, and every indication foretells that her influence will become more and more potent, with a constantly increasing sphere of usefulness.

HENRY F. GAREY,

Columbia, December 20, 1854.

Chairman of Committee.

REPORT
OF THE
SUPERINTENDENT OF COMMON SCHOOLS,
TO THE
EIGHTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

To the General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

By the 23d section of the 1st article of the act entitled "An act to provide for the organization, support and government of schools in the State of Missouri," approved February 23d, 1853, the Superintendent of Common Schools is required "To prepare and submit to the Legislature at each regular session, a report showing ;

1st. The amount of moneys apportioned in each of the two preceding years, and how much to each county.

2d. A statement of the condition of the Common Schools of the State.

3d. All such matters relating to his office, and to Common Schools, as he shall deem expedient to communicate.

The accompanying table "A" will show the amount of "State school moneys" apportioned last year, and the amount to each county. By reference thereto, it will be observed that a large number of the counties received no part of the revenue school moneys, which the law required to be apportioned exclusively to organized school townships, and schools incorporated in towns and villages. By the 18th section of the 1st article of the act it is made the duty of the Superintendent of Common Schools "in the month of January in each year, to apportion the State school moneys arising from the interest, dividends, proceeds and profits of the "State school fund," among the several counties and townships, organized and unorganized, in proportion to the number of white children above the age of five and under the age of twenty years, as shall appear from the last annual reports; and shall apportion the State school moneys annually set apart from the revenue among the organized school townships, and schools incorporated in towns and villages according to the number of white children between said ages."

That the law contemplates but one apportionment in a year, and that the apportionment of both classes of State school moneys should be made from the same—the last annual reports—is evident from the section above quoted, and especially the provision requiring the apportionment to be made in the month of January, in each year. There were no organized school townships, or schools incorporated in towns and villages, reported from those counties which appear to have received none of the revenue school moneys. It was my duty to ascertain from the last annual reports what townships were organized for school purposes. I was not authorized

to seek elsewhere for information, nor, indeed had I been disposed, was time given me by the law, to call for and receive from those counties supplemental reports. My term commenced the first of January. Before that time, I had no right to the possession of the papers of the office. The reports upon which the last apportionment was based, were made last fall, before my appointment, to the Secretary of State, then ex-officio Superintendent of Common Schools. They were not delivered into my possession by the Secretary of State, nor was he authorized by law to do so, until the first of January, the same month in which the apportionment was to be made.

If I had had the time to receive them, I had no authority to call upon the clerks of county courts for reports of organized townships, for they, by the law, were superceded by Commissioners of Common Schools, nor upon the Commissioners, for they had until the first of December to make their reports, and were under no obligations to make them sooner. I have been thus particular in laying this matter before the General Assembly, because I have been censured for not giving to those counties a portion of the revenue school moneys. Whoever may be at fault, I am satisfied from information since received, that many of those counties, at the last apportionment, contained organized school townships, and would, therefore, suggest that an act be passed, authorising my successor to call upon the Commissioner of each of those counties, for a report of the townships therein, which were organized for school purposes the first of last January, and the number of children at that time residing in each of said townships, between five and twenty years of age, and in his next apportionment of the revenue school moneys, in addition to what they would severally be entitled to under the regular apportionment, to apportion to each of said counties the ratio of the last apportionment, viz: ninety-two cents for each child residing in organized school townships, and schools incorporated in towns and villages, the first of last January, and among the other counties to apportion the balance. This will, at least, be an approximation to justice. It will be necessary for this purpose to extend the time within which the apportionment is required to be made, and there are other considerations which demand the substitution of some other time than the month of January for the *regular* apportionment.

Collectors have until the last day of January to settle with the Auditor of Public Accounts, and consequently, the State revenue is not all paid into the Treasury in that month, and if the apportionment be made in January a large amount of State school moneys will remain in the State Treasury twelve months.

The accompanying table 'B', will show the condition of the Common Schools, in the sixty-four counties from which reports have been received. Many of the reports are very imperfect, and the information they contain is not as satisfactory on several subjects as was desired.

By reference to table 'C', it will be observed that there are, in the counties from which reports have been received, 203,658 children between five and twenty years of age, and of that number, only 67,924 are reported as having attended the Common Schools within the past year. Supposing that one half of the balance, which is a large allowance, attended other schools, there are yet 67,867 children in these counties, who have attended no school within the past year. Statistics are said to be "the pulse of our national health and progress. They indicate its prosperity or decay."

In the pulse of our State, there is nothing very gratifying to the friends of education. It shows too much indifference on the part of the people, to the education of their children. The Legislature has made a liberal provision for the support of Common Schools, and one would have inferred from that circumstance, that the people were aroused on the subject, and deeply impressed with its importance; yet, the number of children who did not attend school within the past year, authorizes the inference that there is a very large number of parents in the State, who have failed, in this respect, to perform their duty to their offspring. It is astonishing, that in a Republican Government, in which the avenues to office and honor are open alike to all, any parent would neglect to educate his child. As, where none are born rulers, the most intelligent will and should be chosen, the parent who neglects the education of his offspring, not only does injustice to himself, but inflicts an irreparable injury upon them, consigning to the humblest walks of life, those who have a right, and perhaps a desire, to compete for the first honors of the State. The son of a free menial, in a contest for office, may be preferred to the first born of the President of the nation, and this feature in our government, secures us against the establishment of a permanent aristocracy, enabling the parent to transmit with his emoluments, his honors to his offspring. If there are parents who have greater inducements than others, to educate their children, they are the poor and obscure. If content, however, that they and theirs should be "hewers of wood and drawers of water," they have but to keep books out of their hands, teachers out of their neighborhoods, and parsons out of their parishes, for books, preachers and teachers are the great levelers of the age, not depressing the high, but elevating the lowly.

There are but few States in the Union, in which teachers are better paid, than in ours, and yet it is a general complaint with the Commissioners, that there is a scarcity of competent teachers.

In the Eastern States, teaching is a profession to which many devote their lives—in the West, it is with a large majority of teachers, only an occasional employment, and many persons teach three or five months, to replenish exhausted purses, who never expect to teach an hour again, resorting, as a temporary expedient, to a vocation, which for success, requires a greater variety of accomplishments and virtues, and imposes greater responsibility upon those who pursue it, than any other profession. Four-fifths of the young men in the West, without means, wishing to prepare themselves for the bar, the ministry, or the medical profession, teach school for a season, to procure money to pay their way, and many of our most eminent men in other professions, began the world as pedagogues. We have but few professional teachers, and shall never be able to present to our sister States, educational statistics, of which we shall be proud, and they emulous, until we have throughout the length and breadth of our State, well qualified teachers, devoted to the profession, and determined by the profession to live. One may be ever so ripe a scholar, and utterly fail of success as a teacher, if he divide his attention between that and some other pursuit.

But few men have distinguished themselves in more than one profession. If a man would perfect himself in one business, he should have but little to do with any other; and this is as true of teaching as of any thing else. There is too general a disposition to employ men to teach, whose services can be commanded at low rates. Cheap teachers are a curse to a com-

munity, worse than the frogs and lice of Egypt, for where they prevail to a considerable extent, they degrade mind, deprave morals and corrupt religion.

A good teacher is not only a good scholar, but a virtuous, energetic, courageous and industrious man, and withal of a good physical constitution. How many of our teachers possess all these qualifications? Very few. How many possess none? All of your cheap teachers. And we shall continue to have but few with all the qualifications, while the people continue to employ those with none of them, and in this connexion it may not be out of place to suggest that a portion of the revenue school moneys, now squandered upon "*three month teachers*" who are paid for destroying mind and morals, might be profitably appropriated to the maintenance of a "normal school" in which young men willing to devote their lives to teaching, shall be educated for that purpose at public expense.

Deeming the establishment of a "normal school" of the greatest importance to the educational interests of the State, I would call the attention of the General Assembly, to an act entitled "an act to provide for a normal professorship in the State University" approved 12th March, 1849. That professorship has not been established, and perhaps, what was intended by the act of 1849, cannot be accomplished without further legislation.

In the old States normal schools have ceased to be mere experiments, and the practical benefits flowing from such institutions are every where manifest. No common school system is perfect without one, for if the gold of California were laid on our laps, to be expended for the education of our children, it would avail us but little, if we could not procure qualified teachers to instruct them. It is bad enough for children to grow up without any instruction, but worse, if possible, that they should be instructed only by indolent drones, wholly ignorant of what they profess to teach, and adopting that profession, because it enables them to lounge and loll away useless lives, and yet have "visible means of support," and appear as useful members of society. There is no greater criminal than one, who, knowing his incapacity and unfitness, undertakes the business of instructing youth, and the sooner such are displaced by qualified teachers, no matter at what pecuniary cost to the State, the better for all the great interests of the State.

The education of her children should be the chief concern of the State, and no miserly consideration of the costs should, or would deter enlightened statesmen from making ample provision for the purpose; for if it is true, as we boast, that our government is based upon the virtue and intelligence of the people, *they* should be promoted, and every other interest of the State, treated as subordinate to them. By reference to table "C" it will be seen that very little has been done in this State toward procuring district libraries and that but comparatively little money has been raised for the purpose of building and repairing school houses. The importance of establishing district libraries cannot be too earnestly urged upon the people. One who has become fond of reading and study, though he never again enter a school room, is certain to acquire a respectable education if life and health continue. School libraries by first begetting and then feeding this appetite are auxiliaries to the schoolmaster of inestimable value, and it is to be hoped that the next year will witness greater exertions throughout the State to furnish our Common Schools with Libraries. With regard to our district school houses, they are the old kind, 10 by 12 log cabins, with one door in the middle and one oblong window extending from the door

casing to the corner of the house. Who has seen one, has seen the counterpart of nine-tenths of the school houses in the State—low, dismal, dreary things, in an open space to themselves, with missiles of every description scattered around them, even the view cause enough for the fever and ague of the whole neighborhood. No humane master would cabin his negroes in such noisome dens; and yet with an inexplicable infatuation, affectionate parents send their children there to sit and sweat a whole weary summers' day, to acquire habits of neatness and order, and a love of knowledge. The long summer days that I have sat in such, upon a hard bench, with a back as straight as a corset, envying, not only the birds flitting about at liberty, in which was poetry, but even the dirty little pigs wallowing in their filth, are graven upon my memory as with sharp steel, and often in this State have I been reminded by the school houses, of those wretched days. Heaven grant that the children of this State may not have to pass many more such days. That the inhabitants of the districts in which such school houses are found, may determine, and it requires no great liberality, to demolish these dirty remembrancers, and erect in their stead neat, comfortable, New England school houses.

I have not recommended a set of text books for adoption throughout the State. Many of the County Commissioners, who were appointed in November, had adopted their text books and introduced them into the schools of their several counties, before my term of office commenced. Moreover, I was satisfied that it was impossible for me to introduce uniform text books throughout the State, while each Commissioner had the power to select for himself. Hence, I have advised Commissioners, who have consulted me, to adopt as text books as many of the school books most popular in the county, as might be suitable, furnishing each teacher with a list to keep in his school-room, and permitting the pupils to use such as they had, if at all fit for use, requiring them, when it became necessary to procure new ones, to purchase those adopted by the Commissioner as text books, and thus obviate a very natural objection on the part of poor parents, who would esteem it a hardship to be compelled to throw aside such school books as they have, and incur the expense of purchasing others. With regard to the Superintendent of Common Schools, I feel that I owe it to my successor, and the cause of Common School education, to express the opinion that his salary should be increased or his labor diminished. He has an annual apportionment to make of inconceivable labor—is required to visit every county in the State, 103 in number, once in two years, and at the same time to attend to an extensive correspondence, and yet is allowed neither clerk hire nor traveling expenses. It seems to me that if the matter is duly considered, the Legislature will not hesitate to increase his salary to cover traveling expenses and pay clerk hire for such time as he will need assistance. Or his labors may be diminished and, in my opinion, made more useful to the State. The Superintendent accomplishes but little by visiting the county seats of the several counties, and addressing the few people who meet there to hear him. The law requires no more of him, nor would the present salary justify him in doing more than the law requires him to do.

It is not a subject to draw the people from their work-shops and fields. A few literary men will probably listen to his address, and these, principally, of the town; but the masses, those who most need enlightenment on the subject, are not, because they will not be, benefitted by his discourse.

Any speaker can get out a crowd to hear a stump speech, but if my experience be worth anything, it is a difficult matter to get an audience for an address on the subject of education. It may be that the people expected but little from me, but it is rather more gratifying to my feelings to suspect that they would anticipate but little of interest from any one on so hackneyed a theme. I believe that the object intended to be effected by the Superintendent's visits to the several counties, would be more surely accomplished, and with infinitely less labor to him, by requiring him once in two years to hold a Teachers' and Commissioners' Convention, at a time and place to be by him designated, in each judicial circuit in the State, and making it the duty of the Teachers and County Commissioner of the several counties composing the circuit to attend such Convention.

In this way the people of every district in the State, through their Commissioners, who are required to visit the schools and address the patrons and their teachers, will receive whatever the Superintendent may have to communicate. It will likewise have the effect of begetting among teachers a professional rivalry and pride, and teachers imbued with the spirit of their vocation, will have a powerful influence in arousing the people on the subject of education.

Such a change in the law would supercede the necessity of increasing the salary of the Superintendent.

In conclusion, it is to be hoped that the General Assembly will make no retrograde movement in regard to our Common Schools, but follow up the liberality of the last Legislature, with such additional provisions as may be necessary to promote the cause.

It is the cause of God and humanity. Republicanism, equality, liberty, religion, all, depend for their very existence upon the enlightenment of the masses. Despotism fears nothing so much as knowledge. They are and ever have been antagonisms.

A nation is free in proportion to its enlightenment—not a page of history but confirms this truth. Intelligence is the title to freedom, the world over, and ignorance is the badge of slavery in every clime. Hence, in the language of Mr. Breckinridge, late Superintendent of Public Instruction, in the State of Kentucky, "there is a glory greater than the glory of wealth and power, and arms, and conquest. The glory of loving, getting, cherishing, diffusing, perpetuating knowledge, whereby men may adorn their lot in this life, whatever that lot may be; and whereby, as far as knowledge can, they may be led to know a better life to come."

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. HENRY,

Late Superintendent of Common Schools.

APPENDIX

(A)

AMOUNT of State School Moneys apportioned to each county in 1854.

COUNTIES.	Aggregate.	Bank Dividend.	Revenue School moneys.
Adair.....	\$440 58	\$440 58	
Andrew.....	4,213 90	1,576 26	\$2,637 64
Atohison.....	657 94	322 14	335 80
Audrain.....	958 14	464 10	494 04
Barry.....	853 28	661 92	191 36
Bates.....	825 54	532 98	292 56
Benton.....	855 54	855 54	
Bollinger.....	604 38	604 38	
Boone.....	4,986 76	1,921 92	3,014 84
Buchanan.....	4,191 82	1,904 70	2,287 12
Butler.....	262 50	262 50	
Caldwell.....	422 10	422 10	
Callaway.....	4,467 16	1,674 96	2,792 20
Camden.....	461 16	461 16	
Cape Girardeau.....	1,334 76	1,334 76	
Carroll.....	2,629 82	998 88	1,731 44
Cass.....	2,575 84	1,084 02	1,491 32
Cedar.....	582 12	582 12	
Chariton.....	1,475 74	1,037 82	437 92
Clark.....	1,027 74	1,027 74	
Clay.....	1,033 20	1,033 20	
Clinton.....	530 88	530 88	
Cole.....	1,270 50	1,270 50	
Cooper.....	3,722 58	1,547 70	2,174 88
Crawford.....	851 34	851 34	
Dade.....	1,574 46	785 42	839 04
Dallas.....	899 98	669 06	230 92
Daviess.....	990 36	990 36	
DeKalb.....	397 74		
Dent.....	876 86	346 50	30 36
Dunklin.....	224 28	224 28	
Franklin.....	3,884 02	1,570 38	1,763 64
Gasconade.....	1,019 76	1,019 76	
Gentry.....	834 96	834 96	
Greene.....	2,570 82	2,570 82	
Grundy.....	748 02	748 02	
Harrison.....	568 26	568 26	
Henry.....	611 10	611 10	
Hickory.....	654 16	414 96	239 20
Holt.....	753 06	753 06	
Howard.....	4,655 16	1,459 08	3,196 08
Jackson.....	3,723 10	1,972 74	1,755 36
Jasper.....	771 96	771 96	
Jefferson.....	1,026 48	1,026 48	
Johnson.....	2,422 84	1,038 24	1,384 60
Knox.....	1,067 72	641 76	425 96
Laclede.....	582 56	582 56	
Lafayette.....	3,139 02	1,328 46	1,810 56
Lawrence.....	997 08	997 08	
Lewis.....	2,036 66	837 90	1,198 76
Lincoln.....	1,397 76	1,397 76	
Linn.....	1,691 64	620 76	1,070 88
Livingston.....	483 00	483 00	
McDonald.....	422 94	422 94	
Macon.....	2,014 92	1,206 24	808 68
Madison.....	890 40	890 40	
Marion.....	4,950 42	1,657 74	3,292 68

TABLE (A)—Continued.

COUNTIES.	Aggregate.	Bank Dividend.	Revenue School money.
Mercer.....	\$618 20	\$618 20	
Miller.....	752 60	685 44	67 16
Mississippi.....	440 58	440 58	
Moniteau.....	1,007 16	1,007 16	
Monroe.....	4,173 38	1,547 70	2,625 68
Montgomery.....	1,895 84	727 44	1,168 40
Morgan.....	673 26	673 26	
New Madrid.....	400 26	400 26	
Newton.....	872 56	749 28	123 28
Nodaway.....	891 44	891 44	
Oregon.....	335 16	335 16	
Osage.....	1,147 86	1,147 86	
Ozark.....	431 76	431 76	
Pemiscot.....	193 62	193 62	
Perry.....	2,174 80	1,024 80	1,150 00
Pettis.....	662 84	662 84	
Pike.....	1,651 02	1,651 02	
Platte.....	5,008 16	2,012 64	2,995 52
Polk.....	978 18	978 18	
Pulaski.....	402 78	402 78	
Putnam.....	480 90	480 90	
Ralls.....	986 16	986 16	
Ripley.....	446 04	446 04	
Randolph.....	1,171 28	1,171 28	
Ray.....	3,987 76	1,250 76	2,737 00
Reynolds.....	493 04	252 00	241 04
Shannon.....	192 36	192 36	
Shelby.....	666 12	666 12	
Sullivan.....	444 36	444 36	
St. Charles.....	2,448 20	1,177 68	1,270 52
St. Clair.....	904 36	579 60	324 76
St. Francois.....	627 90	627 90	
Sto. Genevieve.....	767 84	767 84	
St. Louis.....	84,156 16	11,261 04	22,895 12
Stoddard.....	782 46	782 46	
Stone.....	814 16	814 16	
Saline.....	2,782 50	1,065 70	1,646 80
Schuyler.....	743 82	743 82	
Scotland.....	588 00	588 00	
Scott.....	594 72	594 72	
Taney.....	1,582 82	519 34	963 48
Texas.....	870 86	870 86	
Warren.....	824 46	824 46	
Washington.....	1,306 20	1,306 20	
Wayne.....	667 38	667 38	
Wright.....	697 20	697 20	
Total.....	\$172,153 94	\$97,997 84	\$74,156 60

Amount of "Revenue school moneys" apportioned to each child in 1854.....\$90 92
Amount Bank Dividends..... 42
No. of children in the State between 5 and 20 yrs of age reported in 1853, 283,827,
No. in organized school townships..... 80,606.

APPENDIX.

TABLE (B)

Jackson.....	4,853	2,229	52	48	4	27	35	24	8	108	37	3	3,103	40	22	.....	.....
Jasper.....	2,471	91	5	4	1	17	83	.....	.....	104	00	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....
Jefferson.....	2,686	106	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	.....
Linn.....	1,998	1,000	34	24	10	22	46	14	0	2,319	45	1,896	81	16	8	.....	40 00
Lincoln.....	3,455	2,656	63	50	13	21	75	18	17	4,405	56	2,940	17	18	8	.....	.....
Livingston.....	2,055	555	422	18	2	20	34	10	8	1,402	15	538	69	18	4	.....	1,160 00
Lawrence.....	8,018	1,699	70	16	2	20	85	20	0	2,418	24	.....	.....	22	2	.....	.....
Laclede.....	1,572	.....	18	17	1	20	85	20	0	2,418	24	.....	.....	10	weeks	.....	.....
Lafayette.....	3,579	1,387	88	80	8	30	00	30	0	5,850	55	2,932	82	33	4	.....	3,200 00
Mercer.....	1,724	505	16	12	4	15	82	9	21	778	16	361	00	18	3	.....	.....
Monroe.....	4,054	2,456	71	48	28	23	53	22	2	7,769	49	4,855	60	45	6	.....	.....
Marion.....	3,979	2,682	71	62	5	31	10	.....	.....	18,497	89	6,870	47	47	10	.....	4,457 00
Monteale.....	2,867	868	31	28	8	23	85	20	0	2,143	58	1,864	39	27	8	.....	.....
Montgomery.....	1,663	1,663	30	25	5	23	42	22	6	2,400	00	2,097	60	30	4	.....	.....
Miller.....	2,092	44	2	2	1	20	00	.....	.....	60	00	.....	.....	2	1	.....	140 00
Morgan.....	1,650	288	6	5	1	23	08	12	0	420	92	221	82	2	15	.....	325 00
Macon.....	8,164	867	45	38	7	20	68	16	5	2,575	01	2,188	46	45	8	.....	748 00
Osage.....	2,755	868	18	12	1	24	56	8	6	716	85	577	55	18	4	.....	.....
Polk.....	2,721	1,188	749	81	26	5	28	32	15	0	2,142	72	1,275	48	23	8	.....
Pettis.....	1,814	488	45	18	10	8	27	82	27	00	1,555	50	579	22	18	5	.....
Pulaski.....	1,288	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pike.....	4,057	2,497	73	57	18	28	00	22	50	8,578	80	4,687	54	57	5	.....	1,250 00
Platte.....	5,832	2,745	63	58	5	85	46	35	46	9,432	38	4,984	56	52	5	.....	292 25
Ripley.....	1,116	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ralls.....	2,588	1,681	55	49	6	28	90	15	78	5,858	78	2,930	88	43	6	.....	1,049 00
Randolph.....	2,940	1,690	43	84	9	24	87	20	33	5,164	49	2,897	15	41	6	.....	928 00
Saline.....	2,942	1,314	39	85	4	80	00	80	00	5,774	50	2,766	75	84	5	.....	950 00
Shelby.....	1,859	931	25	15	6	25	00	14	00	2,412	51	1,608	01	24	4	.....	811 25
St. Clair.....	1,636	380	11	11	.....	25	00	.....	.....	1,261	21	385	55	11	4	.....	.....
Ste. Genevieve.....	2,215	.....	5	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	380	00	96	21	5	4	.....	.....
Stoddard.....	2,001	.....	6	6	1	16	20	9	00	215	00	.....	.....	6	8	.....	.....
St. Charles.....	8,392	.....	27	21	13	23	8	05	3,556	00	2,812	50	.....	27	4	.....	.....
St. Francois.....	1,046	318	5	4	1	14	96	5	50	328	55	328	55	4	5	.....	.....
Stone.....	868	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sullivan.....	1,338	528	9	7	2	16	00	11	50	478	83	323	38	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Louis.....	30,897	8,547	149	77	72	30	22	81	25	393	24	70	37	44	7	.....	171 82
Wright.....	1,875	122	35	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	180	87	126	64	.....	.....	.....	.....

(C)

GENERAL TABLE.

Whole number of children between 5 and 20 years of age in the 65 counties from which reports have been received.....	202,658
Whole number taught within the past year.....	67,924
Average number in attendance at schools the whole term they were kept.....	20,874
Whole number of teachers.....	1,780
Number of male teachers.....	1,416
Number of female teachers.....	364
Amount of money paid teachers' wages.....	\$212,138 37
Amount of money paid teachers from Common School funds.....	131,456 34
Number of Common Schools the past year.....	1,546
Number of books in district libraries.....	1,117
Amount of money raised for establishing or increasing the district libraries.....	\$53 95
Amount of money raised for building and repairing school houses	29,033 72

REPORT

OF THE

NORTH MISSOURI RAILROAD COMPANY.

OFFICE OF THE NORTH MISSOURI RAILROAD COMPANY, }
15th December, 1854.

The Treasurer of the North Missouri Railroad Company submits the following as his annual report to the Secretary of State, as required under section eleven of an act entitled, "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the North Missouri Railroad Company," approved January 7th, 1853.

The capital stock and the amount actually paid in.

The amount subscribed to the capitol stock, is.....\$1,641,800 00

The amount paid in, is..... 414,589 37

The amount expended for land, for construction of road, for buildings, and for engines and cars respectively:

The amount expended for land, for the construction of the road, is..... \$77,320 45

Expenditures for buildings, for engines and cars respectively:

The amount and nature of indebtedness, and the amount due the Corporation:

The amount of indebtedness, is\$268,377 38

The nature of indebtedness is as follows, to-wit:

Due individuals for moneys borrowed..... 19,887 96

Due on Superstrucufe..... 96,083 19

Due on Real Estate..... 5,525 40

Due on salary of officers..... 980 83

Due Engineer's corps..... 8,400 00

Due on Grading..... 37,500 00

Due the State of Missouri, (with interest for bonds issued,) at maturity..... 100,000 00

Sum total as above.....\$268,377 38

The amount due the Corporation, is.....\$1,227,210 63

The number of persons employed, and their occupations: President, Secretary and Treasurer, Land Agent, General Collector, Counselor, and Engineer Corps, consisting of a Chief Engineer and twenty-one assistants, and a Porter.

No portion of the road being completed, the questions unanswered do not apply to the road in its present condition.

ARTHUR KEMPLAND,

Treasurer North Missouri Railroad Company.

There is a large amount subscribed to the capital stock of the Company, on condition that the road is located on certain routes. A short time ago the Board passed a resolution, locating the road on what is called the Ridge Route, on condition that \$450,000 of additional subscriptions should be obtained to the capital stock of the Company.

The information in possession of the Company, leads the Directory to believe, that the condition will be complied with, which will settle the question of location. This additional subscription, would increase the capital stock of the Company to nearly \$2,000,000, which, with the State credit, would make the means of the Company applicable to the road, nearly \$4,000,000.

There is as yet, no acting Superintendent of operations appointed, and will not be, until a part of the road is so far completed, as to allow locomotives and cars to pass over it.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS, } *Sct.*

Be it remembered, that on this 19th day of December, A. D. 1854, before the undersigned, Edward A. Lewis, a Notary Public, within and for the county and State aforesaid, personally appeared, Arthur Kempland, Treasurer of the North Missouri Railroad Company, who, being duly sworn, says on oath, that the foregoing statement is true and correct, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

ARTHUR KEMPLAND.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this, the day and year above written. Witness my hand and official seal.



EDW'D. A. LEWIS,
Notary Public.

REPORT
OF THE
COMMISSIONERS
OF THE
DEAF AND DUMB ASYLUM,
WITH ACCOMPANYING REPORTS.

To the General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

In compliance with the provisions of the 12th section of an act entitled "an act to amend an act to establish an Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb," requiring the Commissioners of said Asylum to make a detailed report, showing specifically, how, and to what object the sum therein appropriated was expended.

We, the undersigned Commissioners as aforesaid, have the honor to submit this, our first biennial report.

To amount of appropriation for said Asylum..... \$36,400 00
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By amount paid Solomon Jenkins for building the Asylum.....	\$28,250 00
By amount paid W. D. Kerr, under 11th section of the above named act.....	700 00
By amount paid said Kerr for salary.....	1,750 00
By amount paid Mrs. Kerr for salary.....	520 90
By amount paid J. B. McFarland, as Assistant Teacher	50 00
By amount paid J. B. McFarland for salary.....	480 83
By amount paid Samuel Steel for plastering on old building.....	159 88
By amount paid J. S. Henderson for land.....	1,812 00
By amount paid Chambers & Knapp for publishing notice to builders.....	5 00
By amount paid W. D. Kerr for cash advanced to Dr. Peat for plans, &c.....	80 00
By amount paid J. B. Williams for publishing notices to builders, &c.....	10 50
By amount paid Connel & Neal for removing dirt	66 25
By amount paid A. J. Moore for apparatus.....	320 00
By amount paid A. J. Moore for chairs, window curtains, &c.....	174 88
By amount paid D. Nolley for copying specification and contract.....	7 00
By amount paid Bailey & Miller for cedar posts and plank.....	116 83

By amount paid Jackson & McFarland for fence	48 60
By amount paid McFarland and others for removing dirt.....	100 00
By amount paid Tuttle & Moore for nails.....	10 92
By amount paid J. M. Richardson for manuscript copy of law.....	2 10
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	\$34,665 19
By amount due W. D. Kerr as salary up to 31st December, 1854.....	\$250 00
By amount due J. G. George as salary.....	125 00
By amount due J. B. McFarland as salary.....	75 00
By amount due Mrs. S. M. Kerr, Matron.....	81 25
By amount for carpeting.....	100 42
By amount paid Kayser for stoves.....	111 56
By amount paid McFarland and others for removing dirt....	50 00
By amount paid for medical services.....	342 67
By amount paid for building ice house to different persons,...	194 25
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	\$35,995 34
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Balance in hands of Treasurer.....	\$404 66

Which will mostly be consumed in paying debts due and remaining unpaid.

The law contemplated that the Commissioners should select a site on the farm heretofore appropriated for the use and benefit of the Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb, for the new building.

But owing to the fact that the principal sewer from the Lunatic Asylum opened immediately in front of the only suitable point for the location of said building on said farm, and the wash therefrom passing over the ground not more than eighty yards distant, thereby endangering greatly the health of all in and about the Institution, and there being no possible means of relief, only by a large outlay of money, the Commissioners thought proper to change the location and select a site free from those objections; for this purpose a lot of land containing eighteen and 12-100 acres situated less than one fourth of a mile from the eastern boundary line of the town of Fulton, was purchased of Jas. S. Henderson, upon which said building has been erected, being a high, healthy location, and presents a beautiful and commanding appearance. The ground, when well improved, will be well suited to the wants of the Institution.

Having decided to change the site and a suitable one obtained, the Commissioners obtained plans and specifications for the following description of building, and adopted the same, (to-wit:) One centre building with two wings, centre building, 76 feet long, 54 feet wide, four stories high, divided by a hall, stairs in the rear part of hall, wings 39 feet long, by 22 feet 9 inches wide, and three stories high, with a cellar under one wing.

The foundation walls are of stone, other walls are of brick, door sills, window sills, and heads are of cut stone. For further description of building see plans and specifications on file in the office of Secretary of State.

The plan and specifications being decided upon, the Commissioners proceeded to give proper notice by publications in two newspapers published in the State of Missouri, the Missouri Telegraph and Missouri Republican, that sealed proposals for the erection of said building would be received up to 2 o'clock, P. M., of the 5th day of April, 1853, and at that time the bids would be opened.

Up to the time named, two bids were received, one by Solomon Jenkins, of St. Louis, at \$27,800 00, the other by Mr. Lukins, of Boone County, Missouri, at \$47,982 60.

The bid by Mr. Jenkins, being the lowest, and the Commissioners considering the same reasonable, gave to said Jenkins, the contract at the amount bid by him with the understanding, that any alteration or additions which the Commissioners might think proper to make, were to be made, the Commissioners paying a reasonable sum therefor, all of which contract was to be completed by the 1st day of September, 1854.

The contractor entered into bond with security satisfactory to the Commissioners for the faithful performance of his contract, and immediately commenced the work.

The energy and perseverance of the contractor together with a very favorable season, enabled him to progress rapidly with the work; the walls were all raised, roof put on and plastered before the winter season set in.

In the progress of the work some additions and alterations were suggested, and properly made, costing, together with a house built by the contractor, for the accommodation of his workmen, and afterwards bought by the Commissioners for the use and benefit of the Institution, the sum of \$450 00.

The contract has now been completed, the building received by the Commissioners, and the whole cost paid to the contractor.

Under the provisions of the 7th section, of the above recited act, the Commissioners have employed Mrs. Susan M. Kerr, Matron for the Asylum. She is a lady, of fine accomplishments, kind and affectionate to the pupils, and eminently well qualified for the situation.

We think we hazard nothing in saying to the patrons of the Institution, that their unfortunate children will at all times receive from Mrs. Kerr, the attention and kindness due from one thus connected with the Institution.

The Commissioners have also employed James G. George and John B. McFarland, deaf mutes as assistant teachers in the Asylum. They are young men, of unquestionable moral character, of more than ordinary intellect, and, with experience, will make first class teachers.

Mr. George, was educated at the Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb, at Danville Kentucky, and Mr. McFarland, in the Illinois and Missouri Institutions.

It will be borne in mind that the law provides that pupils receiving the charity of the State, can remain in the Asylum three years only, which time has already expired with some, but they are retained in the Institution by the Superintendent at his own expense.

The time necessary for children who can hear and speak, to obtain a good common education is four and five years, according to their capacity and application.

The mode of instruction to mutes, is certainly much more difficult and

tedious, consequently a longer time is necessary. This being the case, the necessity is obvious and needs no argument to sustain it.

The Commissioners cannot, therefore, too strongly impress upon the minds of Members the importance of extending the time to at least five years, in many cases seven years would not be too long.

The report of the Physician hereto annexed, and made a part of this report, will show fully the sanitary condition of the Institution.

It will also be seen that two large and well ventilated rooms are necessary for hospital purposes, each having connected therewith a bath and water closet.

These rooms are much needed, and can easily be connected with the centre building in the manner recommended.

In order to meet fully the wants of the Institution, it will be necessary to extend the building, connecting with the wing occupied by the females. This addition should be three stories high, the first story to be occupied as a study room for females, the second as a lecture room, and for teaching generally, and the third story as dormitories for females.

When these additions shall have been made, Missouri will have an Institution adequate to the wants of her Deaf and Dumb.

For further information as to the general condition of the Asylum, number of pupils &c., we respectfully refer to the report of the Superintendent.

The Commissioners before closing this report would call the attention of members to the policy of insuring the building.

We have accounts almost daily of thousands of dollars having been lost by conflagration, and although the Institution is too remote and entirely out of reach of fire from any other buildings, yet it is by no means beyond the reach of this devouring element.

For the purpose of carrying out the foregoing suggestions in relation to additions to the buildings, paying salaries and meeting the contingent expenses of the Institution, the following appropriations will be necessary.

For building hospital rooms, and fitting up the same.....	\$12,000 00
For building addition to the west wing, and furnishing same...	10,000 00
For fencing, pavements, sewerage, contingent expenses &c., &c.	1,000 00
For paying salaries for the next two years.....	5,000 00

In conclusion the Commissioners would remark that they have made themselves familiar with the internal arrangement, and government of the Institution.

They can therefore with confidence state that both should give and have given entire satisfaction.

The tables are supplied with an abundance and variety of the very best the market affords, and at meals the pupils are all seated at the same time, and are under the immediate care and control of the Superintendent and Matron.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

	WM. H. BAILEY,	} Commissioners.
	ALFRED T. MOORE,	
December 28, 1854.	THOS. B. NESBIT,	

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

In compliance with the law requiring the Superintendent of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum to make a biennial report to your honorable Body, of "the condition of the Asylum, the number of pupils, and other facts connected with the Institution," the following report is most respectfully submitted. But the protracted and severe sickness, from which I am just recovering, has not left me sufficient strength to present as elaborate and detailed a statement, as I had anxiously desired, and as our success, flourishing condition, and flattering prospects deserved and would abundantly warrant. A very brief outline of the leading facts of the period under review is all that we feel able to attempt.

This Institution has been in operation about three years. During this time, numerous and some formidable difficulties have conspired to discourage our humble efforts to place it upon a secure and permanent basis, and upon an equal footing with similar Institutions in sister commonwealths; but one by one these obstacles have been surmounted, and such cheering success has attended our exertions, that your noble enterprise, founded by this charity, can no longer be regarded as a mere experiment. The first pupil was received into this Asylum, November 5th, 1851. At the close of the session, upon the last Friday of July, 1852, there were seventeen pupils in attendance; at the end of the second session, fifty-two; of the third, sixty-four. The number of pupils increased so rapidly that for more than a year, the buildings formerly occupied were far too contracted; and as its crowded condition at one time very seriously affected their health we were reluctantly compelled to refuse numerous applicants for admission. Since the first of last October, fifty-two have been received. And in proportion to the whole number of deaf mutes in the State, no similar Institution, so far as my knowledge extends, has succeeded in collecting together, in the same length of time, a larger number. A reference to the reports of several Asylums, of much longer existence, corroborate the statement that the success of this undertaking is unparalleled. Devout thankfulness is due to the kind and gracious Father of us all, who has thus sustained and prospered us.

The advantages which deaf mutes receive from an Institution such as this, it is a pleasure to remark; are appreciated by many of their parents and friends; but the apathy of the majority of them is very marked. This, no doubt, arises in great part from a want of an intelligent perception of the deplorable situation of this most unfortunate class of our fellow creatures. Almost every one feels himself inclined to answer, without hesita-

tion, that the blind are under far more unhappy circumstances than the deaf, and suffer a far greater amount of positive privation. The more a person reflects, however, the more this first impression is weakened. Every line of consideration he may take, will eventually lead him to the conclusion that *the blind are not so badly off as the deaf*. We have known many persons who have been startled at this proposition, when broadly and abruptly stated, but who have invariably acquiesced in it when they had taken time to consider the whole matter closely. It is a remarkable circumstance that Dr. Guilla, the Conductor of a Blind Asylum at Paris, and Dr. Watson, the able Manager of the Kent Road Deaf and Dumb Asylum, in England, who have respectively written on this subject, should both agree as to the superior advantages of the blind over the deaf. But Dr. Kitto himself, the eminent Biblical Commentator, who furnishes this testimony, is a brilliant illustration of the capabilities of even the deaf and dumb. And yet indifference is the formidable, and in many instances insuperable barrier to many of those who have suffered this severe privation enjoying the advantages of Institutions founded for their immediate benefit. The greatest energy and the most untiring perseverance are necessary in order to secure the attendance of many whom we would naturally expect to be urged forward. More than a year since, we thus collected together and brought to the Institution six, and at another time five. It should not be disguised, that it is the extreme indigence of many which makes them withhold their unfortunate children. A large majority of them are found in circumstances of extreme poverty: nearly one-half of all deaf mutes lose their hearing from diseases superinduced by exposure and the want of comforts. Frequently they are kept at home upon the plea of inability to furnish them suitable clothing. Quite a number now receiving the invaluable blessings of education in this Asylum have been brought here and clothed at our own expense, their friends either being unable, or refusing to give them any pecuniary aid. Similar Institutions have found it necessary to have a fund to provide clothing to meet such cases.

I would, therefore, respectfully suggest the propriety of an annual appropriation of four hundred dollars, (\$400,) to clothe those in extreme indigence.

RETURNS OF DEAF MUTES BY ASSESSORS OF TAX.

These returns, as far as made, are exceedingly imperfect. In some counties, we regret to say, the subject has been entirely passed over; and in many others, it has been only partially attended to. In one county from which no returns were made, we found as many as nine; in another, three; in another, two; and so on. The names of the deaf mutes and of their parents, and also of their nearest Post Offices, in their respective counties, should be returned, as this would place us in immediate communication with them, and thus secure to many of them such information as might be of lasting benefit.

TERM OF INSTRUCTION.

The law provides for the continuance of the pupils under instruction, only three years. The methods used in teaching deaf mutes require time.

The process of imparting instruction is slow and tedious. Very few can learn to use language, with propriety and correctness, even in three years training; and to send them home in that condition, will tend to defeat the very design of the Institution; as they will be of little credit to it, or benefit to others. We have now two interesting and sprightly boys whom we are retaining beyond the legal time, at our own expense. Moreover, with a term of only three years, the succession of inmates will be so rapid that it will be impossible to sustain the number in regular attendance, at a respectable point.

It is most earnestly recommended, therefore, to extend the term of study to at least five years.

The following favorable notice of this Institution, extracted from the last Report of the Kentucky Asylum, is worthy of being considered in connection with this suggestion: "One of the last and most successful attempts to establish a school for mutes, has been in Missouri. This State has met the enterprise with a noble generosity, and the parents of deaf mutes have placed their children in the Institution with a readiness and confidence worthy of imitation. The Legislature last session made an appropriation of thirty thousand dollars for an edifice, and six thousand dollars for the support of teachers and incidental expenses, and one hundred dollars for the board of each pupil. The Institution is under the superintendence of Mr. Wm. D. Kerr, lately an instructor in this Institution. The State has in one thing only, failed to come up to all that was required, to place the effort upon a broad and adequate basis. Provision has been made for the continuance of the pupils under instruction only three years. This proceeded doubtless, only from the want of information, and the next Legislature will, it is hoped, extend the time to at least five years. This is the shortest provision, we believe, which is now made by any State, and in ours, as well as in others, seven years are allowed to select pupils."

TREATMENT OF THE PUPILS.

The government exercised over the Asylum is thoroughly parental in its character. The treatment which the pupils receive, is such as uniformly commends itself to their friends. Not only the parents, but also numerous and disinterested visitors, several of whom have had every facility for observation, during periods of from one to six weeks, have sent us written testimonials of their gratification at witnessing the operation of this sort of rule. One lady, who was present some six weeks, remarked that she had never seen, in any well regulated family of six or eight children, less confusion or contention. The following is a specimen of numerous letters of a similar character:

————— Co., November 21st, 1854.

W. D. KERR, Esq.,

Dear Sir :—I have two sons in the Missouri Institution for the Deaf and Dumb. One has been a pupil nearly two years, the other more than one year. I take this occasion to express to you my impressions in reference to your success, &c.

My sons have made rapid progress, evincing great industry on your part, as well as aptness on the part of the boys. Having had frequent opportunities of examining into your mode of management, &c., I am forced to

the conclusion, that none but a perfect system could effect the happy results I have from time to time witnessed.

The table for the pupils is abundant, and various. If they do not fare well, it is because they will not partake of the abundance provided for them.

The pupils all seem to be happy and contented. I should judge a more happy family cannot anywhere be found. They seem to be very fond of you and Mrs. K. In case of sickness, (as it was in reference to my son when sick,) the utmost attention was bestowed. I may truly say parents may safely confide their children to your care. I speak from actual observation. I could say more, but when I can trust my sons fully to your kind care, I cannot say nothing stronger. * * * * *

Yours, &c.,

The deep hold we gain upon the affections of our pupils is exceedingly gratifying, and in many incidental ways, of great mutual advantage. Of course, some have wayward passions, and wild dispositions, which it is our constant effort to overcome and correct. Unfortunately, many parents permit their deaf mute children to grow up self-willed and unrestrained. However, the change often produced in these, by a few months training, is truly surprising and pleasing. Their immediate friends are requested to visit the pupils whenever it is convenient. And the most rigid scrutiny, of all those who feel interested in the permanent prosperity of this noble charity, is invited.

HEALTH OF THE INSTITUTION.

It will be seen from the Physician's report, that during the last two years we have been made to weep over the loss of five pupils. The causes of this severe affliction are fully set forth in his report. We confidently believe our new location and the absence of predisposing causes of disease, will, under Providence, exempt us from so severe a trial in the future. Out of twenty deaf mutes, with whom we have some acquaintance, not inmates of this Institution, the mortality has been greater in proportion to the number, than among our pupils.

The Institution has sustained a severe loss in the death of Dr. A. A. Ryley, which happened on the ninth of July last. He had faithfully and skillfully discharged the responsible duties of Commissioner and attending Physician, till called to his reward. Dr. Ryley was a gentleman and a christian. He made it his special study to inquire into the causes of deafness, as well as the means best calculated to prevent the occurrence of so fearful a calamity. The memory of his many acts of kindness will long be cherished by our pupils, for whose welfare he manifested the most intense interest. Thus has passed away from earth to heaven, a true friend, an intelligent physician, and a man of the purest moral character.

Dr. A. Young has recently been appointed to the office of attending physician. The facility with which he is learning to converse with the deaf and dumb, in the significant language of signs, in addition to his professional attainments, qualify him to become exceedingly useful in this new relation to the Institution.

It is proper, in this connection, to acknowledge the repeated services of Dr. J. G. Russel in Dentistry. By his kindness and skill, many of our

pupils have been relieved of much suffering. His reward is in the consciousness of doing good to those so severely afflicted by a mysterious Providence.

ADDITIONAL IMPROVEMENTS REQUIRED.

A large chapel or lecture room is much needed. Our pupils are taught in only one room, which is far too small for the present number. A Hall at least sixty feet square will not more than afford ample room for the pupils, visitors, public exhibitions, &c.

The present beautiful and imposing edifice, erected by the munificence of the State, is not yet extensive enough to accommodate a larger number of females than are now receiving the benefits here conferred. None can be received until a vacancy shall occur. The rooms for the male pupils will be quite sufficient for some months to come. Two additional large sleeping apartments for the females are pressingly needed. Hospitals for the sick and bath rooms are indispensable for health and comfort.

EMPLOYMENTS.

The male pupils are employed a short time each day, the Sabbath excepted, in cutting wood, working in the garden, &c. We have no workshops, in which they may learn some useful trade. It is exceedingly doubtful, however, whether the present condition of the Institution will justify the cost of erecting suitable buildings for this object. The grounds now set apart for this Charity are not more than sufficient to meet its wants; especially as a portion of time may in the future be devoted to acquiring a practical knowledge of agriculture.

The females are also employed, a small portion of each day, in needlework and in attending to the lighter duties of housekeeping. This is both useful and pleasant. Habits thus formed will qualify them to perform with credit, in after days, these necessary duties, growing out of their position in society, and in their families. A few parents, chiefly those in affluent circumstances, are averse to this wholesome discipline of the Institution. All similar institutions in the United States have introduced this regulation. To prevent all doubt, we state for the benefit of those most interested, that the children of the rich and poor are treated alike. No distinction is made, *none will be made.*

In addition to the watchful care of the Matron, two excellent and faithful young ladies, Miss Palmer and Miss Smith, give the females all the attention their wants demand, both by day and night. These ladies have been selected because of their fitness for their work, and their well established character for prudence and kindness.

CURE OF DEAFNESS.

Deafness is generally caused by some organic defect or total destruction of the auditory nerve. This infirmity reduces those who are afflicted with it, to a condition infinitely below that of hearing persons. Can science and the skill of the most learned physician remedy the misfortune, or restore hearing to the deaf?

We think the following quotations from the American Annals of the Deaf and Dumb sufficiently pertinent to merit a place in our report. They are extracted from a letter of Dr. Moniere to the President of the Imperial Academy of Medicine, at Paris:

"Fifteen years spent in the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb at Paris; a visit (not official, it is true) to most of the establishments of this description which exist in France, Spain, Switzerland, England and Germany; an attentive study of the best works published on deaf muteism; the habitual intercourse which I have had with the most competent men on this matter; the examination of a great number of deaf and dumb persons, both children and adults, belonging to all classes of society; perhaps authorize me to form an opinion of this kind of infirmity, whether congenital or accidental, of the consequences which it draws along, and, finally, of the possibility of its being cured."

"Can we cure such defects, "(referring to deafness,)" or if not, can we improve the sense of hearing to such a point as to render conversation possible? If we could resolve this problem, it would indeed be a great benefit, and statues should be erected to the honor of the successful inventor of a method capable of restoring the unfortunate deaf and dumb to their normal condition. Nobody, certainly, need to despair of the future; it is not in a century like ours, in which the wonders of science are every day discovered, that we should renounce the hope of rendering so great a service to humanity, but we must acknowledge that, hitherto all attempts have failed."

"In conclusion, no one has ever cured deaf and dumb persons; the possibility of this art of healing is still confined to the number of the *desiderata*, the most uncertain of science. The attempts renewed, ever since 1847, have remained unsuccessful, and it should be so, for they differ in nothing from those which preceded them, and which had already proved abortive."

The importance of this subject requires a much more extended notice than our limits will allow us, especially as some parents refuse to send their children to the Institution in the vain expectation that Dr. Turnbull, or some one of the numerous "quacks or charlatans," so often liberally endorsed by many literary papers of the country, will cure them. It is time for parents to learn the danger, as well as the folly, of committing their children to the hands of "magnetizers, somnambulists, homœopaths, empiricists," to *experiment* upon the delicate organs of their ears. The injurious, if not fatal consequences, so often following these experiments, should excite the apprehension of parents, and indispose them to risk the health, and even the lives, of their children. The credulity of parents, growing out of an earnest and affectionate desire to benefit them, is often astonishing. Dr. Wilde, of Dublin, a man of distinguished ability, has given to the public a work, which is entitled "Practical Observations on Aural Surgery and the Nature and Treatment of Diseases of the Ear." We cull from this work a few short extracts. "Is deaf dumbness curable? To this question I must reply in the negative. Except by miraculous interference, *I do not believe the true congenital deaf mute was ever made to hear; and those who lose their hearing so early in life as never to have acquired the faculty of speech come into the same category.*"

Speaking of Dr. Turnbull, Dr. Wilde remarks:

"Well might the friends and admirers of the doctor employ the term dangerous, (in reference to the catheter,) for the only record of any accident or ill effect having arisen from the employment of this exceedingly simple and harmless operation, occurred to Dr. Turnbull himself, two of whose patients, in the year 1839, fell victims to the operation of *Catheterism* of the eustachian tube, and over both of whom coronors' inquests were held. One of these, it appeared in evidence, was, almost immediately after the operation, attacked with *emphysema* of the throat and inflammation of the brain, of which he died in a week; and the other, a lad named Joseph Hall, aged eighteen years, and in perfect health, fell back in a chair, apparently lifeless, and never spoke afterwards. * * * *

"After this it seems the doctor changed his *hand*; and finding that it was a dangerous experiment to *blow up* his patients, he determined to *suck* them as much as possible, * * * * Could remedial agents or man's interference, have raised the dead—thrown instantaneously the vigor of youth, and the health and strength of manhood, into the limbs of the cripple—gave power to the paralytic—steadiness to the palsied—and calmness to the possessed; or could have cooled down the fever,—given, by a word, sight to the blind, speech to the dumb, and hearing to the deaf? If, without the special interference of Providence, these individuals could have been cured, their cases were not miracles, but if, without the pale of art, or beyond the power of human means, then they were miracles, and cannot now be performed, but by similar means." * * * *

"Having many years ago, discussed this subject, it is unnecessary to expatiate upon it further, the public should forever be guarded from these impostures, which are from time to time offered for the cure of incurable diseases; among them, deaf and dumbness—some cases of which are now, I understand, undergoing a series of mesmeric experiments—is one of the most fruitful."

On our return from the Convention of Teachers of the Deaf and Dumb, held at Columbus, Ohio, in August, 1853, we met with a gentleman at Louisville Ky., who was on his way to New York, with his deaf and dumb son, a pupil of the Kentucky Asylum, to place him under the treatment of Dr. Turnbull, confidently relying on the truth of the miraculous cures reported to have been performed by the doctor. We in vain attempted to dissuade him from this hopeless experiment. He promised, however, should his son be cured of deafness to write, informing us of the fact. We have not yet received his letter.

ARTICULATION.

Articulation, as an instrument of instruction, proves to be entirely abortive, with a large majority of deaf persons. A few of the most gifted of those who could once hear, and still retain the faculty of speech to some extent, may acquire some fluency in spoken language. It is admitted by all that the ability to read on the lip, is an art of the greatest refinement and delicacy, and can only be acquired by years of patient toil, and then often laid aside, when the pupil is removed from the instructor. In the German Institutions for the deaf and dumb, articulation is the chief instrument for imparting knowledge to their pupils. Those only endowed with a quick perception learn to pronounce with any degree of distinctness, while large numbers are dismissed, as hopelessly dumb. The beautiful and

magnificent language of pantomime leads to far more valuable results. The latter furnishes the deaf and dumb a method of communicating their ideas to others, in a pleasant and intelligible manner. The former speak many words to which they often attach no meaning. They have the word, but not the idea represented. It may be well enough to improve the "exceptional cases" before referred to, in articulation; but even with them, half the time and labor spent, would lead to results of a more valuable and satisfactory character.

The following extract is from the work of Dr. Wilde, before referred to, entitled, "Practical observations on Aural Surgery and the Nature and Treatment of Diseases of the Ear:" "To what extent the true congenital deaf person can ever be taught to speak, is still undetermined; only a few of the most intelligent and anxious are at all susceptible of such teaching, and even in these, the effort at vocalization is, from want of effort, harsh and inharmonious, and seldom turned to much account in their intercourse in life. In most of our schools in Great Britain and Ireland, *the system has, except in some rare instances, been abandoned*, the governors and teachers conceiving that the time spent in acquiring this mechanical form of speech, might be more usefully employed in other descriptions of instructions."

This method of instruction was employed by a gentleman in Kentucky for thirty years. A large number of his pupils, after his efforts to improve them in spoken language, was sent to the Kentucky Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb. We had every facility, therefore, to make a full test of the results of the two methods of instruction. They have, through the medium of signs, made greater attainments in three months than during a period of from one to two years before. We shall be sustained in this statement by the able and accomplished Superintendent of that Institution. A little girl, formerly under the vocalizing process, as we are informed, for three years, but now a pupil in this Institution, affords another striking proof of the superiority of the expressive language of pantomime over articulation as a means of instructing the deaf and dumb. She is possessed of fine natural endowments, and having a vivid recollection of her many painful efforts to speak, often expresses her appreciation of sign language as being far more pleasant and effective.

THE MODE OF INSTRUCTING DEAF MUTES.

The question is often proposed to us, "How can mutes be taught?" Of this it is no easy task, indeed, to convey a definite and clear idea, to persons not familiar with the beautiful and significant language of signs. Signs are the principal instruments by which deaf mutes acquire a knowledge of written language. The process is slow, requiring both tact and perseverance on the part of the teacher, as well as intense application on the part of the pupil. The most abstract and refined ideas may, difficult and strange as it may seem to many, be clearly imparted to them, developing and calling into active exercise all the powers of the mind. This language is not a mere jargon; but, in the hands of highly cultivated instructors, has been arranged and systematized, so that the educator of deaf mutes finds himself in possession of an instrument by which he may unlock the storehouse of knowledge to them, and gradually leads them out of the most wretched and desolate state into a new world, as it were, of thought and

intelligence. The contrast is striking and almost miraculous. The pupil is first taught the Manual Alphabet. After this, an object, or a picture of one, requiring the smallest combination of letters, is presented to him. The letters are successively repeated by signs, and the pupil is required to write the word again and again, until his memory retains it. The signs and words are thus learned at the same time. After this a concise sign, made for the same word, or words, will be promptly written; just as readily as a hearing person will write words, they have been before taught, when pronounced.

In a similar manner words expressive of the qualities of objects may be taught. Also simple and short sentences, which are thus impressed upon the memory. The pupils at this point of improvement, are required to write examples of their own. These imperfect efforts, (for numerous and often ludicrous mistakes are made,) are corrected. A number of sentences, illustrative of some word, idiom or term, are taught. Also, narrations, history, &c., are explained in signs, and the pupils required to commit them to memory, and recite them the next morning by signs, or re-write them from an effort of memory. By this process they acquire a knowledge of the written language.

Every parent of deaf children should cultivate sign language, and stimulate them to communicate their wants, &c. It is no difficult thing to invent a sign for visible objects and actions. Deaf mutes may be taught to write the names of these objects and actions. Let the parent procure the Deaf and Dumb alphabet, and teach it to his children. They may at an early age learn it. Thus the words man, dog, cat, rat, &c., may easily be written, and a sign given to each of them. This sign should be repeated until the child can write promptly the name when the sign is made. It will be easy to imitate certain actions, as the man walks—the dog runs—the cat catches a rat, &c. By making the signs for each letter, and writing the words frequently, the child will soon write them with great facility. Children thus trained are prepared to enter the Institution, with decided advantage over those who are not.

SCHOOL ROOM.

An outlay will be needed to furnish the necessary appliances of the school room. Large slates, books, engravings, maps, an addition to our chemical and philosophical apparatus, &c., would be valuable auxiliaries in the difficult and tedious work of the teacher.

The office of Instructor in an Institution for the Deaf and Dumb is no *sinecure*. Much difficulty is often experienced in securing the services of well educated and moral men as teachers. It is therefore of the highest importance that the salaries be sufficient to induce such persons to engage permanently in the work of instruction. Men of talent cannot long be retained in the Asylum with inadequate salaries.

Mr. J. G. George, recently chosen by the Commissioners as a teacher, is deaf, and from his sprightliness and superior education, promises to be highly useful as an Instructor.

Mr. J. B. McFarland has for more than two years faithfully performed the duties of Instructor. He renders valuable services to the Institution by his watchful care of the male pupils at night and in case of sickness.

A practical knowledge of the Latin and Greek language is a necessary qualification to teachers generally. Deaf and Dumb teachers are not instructed in these languages, and therefore labor under these disadvantages, arising from a want of this knowledge. In the appointment of teachers this qualification should not be overlooked, except in the case of those who are deaf and dumb.

DONATIONS.

Our thanks are due Mr. Musgrove, of the *Lexington Express*, for his exertions in behalf of the Institution in its hour of need. Mr. M. first conceived the idea of furnishing a library for the use of the pupils. The following extracts from a letter will fully set forth the results of his efforts in this benevolent cause:

LEXINGTON, June 2, 1853.

"DEAR SIR: I have this day ordered to be shipped to you, a box of books donated to the Deaf and Dumb Asylum, by citizens of Lexington.

"In the box are two pocket bibles, one presented by Mr. Cyrus J. Ward to Miss Talbot, the other presented by myself to Miss Sims. They are in envelopes and have metallic clasps. * * * * The other books are donated as the beginning of a library for the unfortunate children of the State, whose education is confided to your care. However small the beginning, I hope others will follow the example of a few citizens of Lexington, who, I think, were the first to attempt to found a library for the use of the pupils in the Deaf and Dumb Asylum, by individual contributions.

The names of the Donors are:

Isaac M. McGirk,
President F. L. B. Shaver,
" G. G. MacPherson,
D. D. Park,
Cyrus J. Ward,
Lewis W. Lampkin,
J. B. Pascoe,
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T. B. Wallace,
John Donaldson,
H. Neill,
N. W. Hollen,
Thomas J. Porter,
W. Musgrove.

The people of the State will not, I hope, be backward in contributing books for so benevolent an object. * * * * *

I am, respectfully,

W. MUSGROVE.

DONATIONS.

From the Callaway Bible Society, eleven copies of the Bible, valued at.....	\$10 90
From H. I. Bailey, twelve Bibles, valued at.....	7 80
“ Nathaz Kouns, M. D., Mitchell's large Map of the World.....	10 00
“ Maj. W. Snell, Encyclopedia of Geography; 8 large vols.....	12 00
“ Dr. J. G. Russell, for the clothing of indigent pupils.....	20 00
“ Robert A. Raphael, a splendid Engraving, a representation of “Bearing the Saviour to the Tomb;” also, a large number of handsome paintings, illustrative of Bible facts.	
From Hon. J. G. Miller, and Hon. G. Porter, numerous public documents.	
“ An unknown Friend.	
“ Wm. H. Lusk, Benton's Thirty Years' in the Senate.	
“ A. Miller, a stone axe formed by the Aborigines of the country.	
“ W. B. Stone, M. D., a handsome shell.	

Our warmest thanks are due the editors of the following journals, which they have gratuitously sent for the benefit of the Deaf and Dumb:

Tri-weekly Missouri Republican, Weekly Missouri Statesman, Weekly Brunswicker, Lexington Weekly Express, The Whig Messenger, Dollar Missouri Journal, Western Recorder, The Saturday Evening Post, Missouri Telegraph, Jefferson Examiner, Jefferson Inquirer, Millennial Harbinger.

We regret that two of the above journals have been discontinued.

LIST OF PUPILS

In the Institution during the last two sessions, and up to the 25th of December, 1854.

NAMES.	COUNTIES.	NAMES.	COUNTIES.
*Isaacs, John.....	St. Louis,	Clark, Frederick.....	Camden,
Tirril, Martha.....	Callaway,	Gunn, Alanda.....	Howard,
*Foy, Benj.....	do	Ranney, John K.....	Pettis,
Perry, Thos. A.....	Johnson,	Ohlman, Ellen.....	Franklin,
*McMullen, Monroe P.....	Adair,	Spencer, Charina R.....	St. Charles,
McMullen, Alex. L.....	do	Davis, Joshua T.....	Callaway,
Griffith, Davis.....	Perry,	Brocking, Margaret.....	St. Louis,
Barnes, Wm. H.....	Boone,	Forgey, Elizabeth.....	do
Barnes, Julia.....	do	Hafstead, Samuel.....	Platte,
Sims, Sarah F.....	Callaway,	Trotter, Joel E.....	Carroll,
Smart, Nancy D.....	do	Talbot, David.....	Montgomery,
Bridwell, Andrew J.....	Montgomery,	Mullen, Jesse W.....	Sullivan,
McFarland, J. B.....	Lincoln,	Pallardy, Augustine.....	St. Charles,
League, Chas. L.....	St. Louis,	Hickman, Augustus D.....	Marion,
St. John, John.....	do	Hughes, Lacy A.....	Howard,
Bailey, Martha.....	do	Ingram, Anna C.....	Chariton,
Dukes, Hamilton C.....	Callaway,	Smith, Rebecca.....	Ray,
Tait, Elizabeth J.....	ewis,	Norton, Emily F.....	Adair,
Felps, Lawrence.....	St. Louis,	Shotwell, Sarah.....	Pike,
Davis, Henry.....	Pulaski,	Mefford, Susan M.....	Marion,
Hague, Jas. M.....	Lafayette,	Mefford, Martha A.....	do
Seiffert, Amelia.....	St. Louis,	Mefford Sarah E.....	do
Mulhousen, Henry.....	do	Mefford, Nathan.....	do
English, Henry C.....	Pike,	Barrow, John W.....	Camden,
McFarland, Jas. H.....	Lincoln,	Pool, Thos.....	Macon,
Kahlmetz, Albert.....	St. Louis,	Officer, Margaret.....	St. Louis,
Taylor, Catharine.....	do	Bencker, Catharine.....	do
Taylor, George.....	do	*Bencker, Mary.....	do
Dobbins, Sophia E.....	Carroll,	Graff, Anna M.....	do
Hollman, Richmond.....	Cooper,	Graff, Genoseva.....	do
Stephens, Sarah E.....	Lincoln,	Thayer, Richard.....	Nebraska, Ter.,
Turner, Francis D.....	Marion,	Wright, Alexander.....	Marion,
McCallum, Mary J.....	Ray,	Spindler, Christian.....	Gasconade,
Morrison, Mary E.....	Lafayette,	McFall, William.....	Platte,
Pool, Melissa.....	do	Whidow, Nancy E.....	Hickory,
Pool, Elizabeth E.....	do	Schnelzer, Fridoline.....	St. Louis,
Ebay, Elizabeth R.....	Adair,	Farrow, Lucy F.....	Montgomery,
Talbot, Sarah Ann.....	Montgomery,	Farrow, Stanly B.....	do
Brown, Beluo.....	Laclede,	Stuart, James L.....	Lincoln,
Clark, Daniel.....	Camden,		

* Those to whose names asterisks are affixed are supported at the cost of the Superintendent.

Of the eighty-six pupils under instruction, during the last two sessions, 37 were born deaf; 46 lost hearing from diseases of various kinds.

TERMS OF ADMISSION.

Applicants must be ten years of age and under thirty.

The most suitable time for admitting pupils is at the opening of the session, though none will be rejected at any period of the session. The first Monday of October is the commencement of the annual session, which closes on the last Friday of July.

All pupils receiving the benefit of the law, must bring a certificate from the County Court of their respective counties. The charge for pay-pupils is one hundred dollars per annum.

All letters of inquiry should be addressed to W. D. Kerr, Superintendent of the Institution. Letters to the pupils must be pre-paid.

Each pupil should be furnished with clothing sufficient for one year. A good trunk, combs, slate, ink and paper should also be furnished; the age of the pupil should be given, the cause of his deafness, the post office address of his parents or guardian, and the number of deaf persons in the family, &c.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. KERR, *Superintendent.*

December 29, 1854.

PHYSICIAN'S REPORT.

*To the Commissioners of the Asylum,
for the Deaf and Dumb, of the State of Missouri :*

The following report respecting the sanitary condition of the State Deaf and Dumb Asylum is submitted. During the past two years, the health of the pupils has been generally good, with the exception of an epidemic of Typhoid Pneumonia. It is true that the rate of mortality has been somewhat greater, during that period, in this Institution, than in some others. But there were a number of unavoidable causes, concurring to produce this result. In the first place, it is a fact well established, that the rate of mortality in all Institutions, is very considerably greater during the first few years of their existence, than at any subsequent period. Then, in the Missouri Asylum, two causes conspired to excite more disease, and by consequence, to produce a larger number of deaths than usual. The buildings were small, and, to a great extent, inadequate for accommodating the large number of pupils. The location had become unsuitable for the purpose to which it had been set apart, by reason of the largest sewer from the State Lunatic Asylum opening just upon its Northwestern border, and so continuing to its Southern line. These two causes, I am persuaded, were active and fruitful sources of disease. During the two years past, five deaths have occurred, of which three took place whilst the epidemic of Typhoid Pneumonia, before mentioned, was prevailing. The rate of mortality, then, among the pupils was not so great, as among an equal number of persons of the same ages in the general population. One of the pupils so dying, was of a family in which consumption was known to be markedly hereditary. The fourth death occurred during the past summer. The four all took place whilst the pupils were in the old crowded and badly located building. Since removing to the new building, the number of pupils on the sick list has very much diminished. Not having been in a position to ascertain the facts, I am unable to state the proportional frequency of disease in the old and new locations. But, so far as these facts have come within my observation, the comparison would be vastly in favor of the latter. This shows, very conclusively, the wisdom of your Hon. body, in making the needful change of location.

During the past four months, the pupils have been comparatively exempt from every form of disease. At the time Dysentery was prevailing, epidemically, in the town and vicinity, two cases only of the malady occurred among the deaf-mutes. There have also been a few cases of Inter-

mittent and Remittent Fevers, confined, chiefly, to pupils having had previous attacks, or coming from districts of country eminently malarious.

There has been, since the present structure was occupied, one death only, and this from Typhoid Fever contracted prior to the pupil's entering the Institution. Of the four deaths occurring, whilst the old buildings were occupied, one was from *Cancrum Oris*, two from *Pneumonia* complicated with gastro-enteritis, and the remaining one from the latter disease. Of these four, three had been greatly exposed, in inclement weather, during the trip to the Institution, and were, in fact, laboring under disease thus engendered, at the time of entering. These facts, with the crowded state of the old buildings, sufficiently account for the rate of mortality. In the last two months there has not been a single case of disease, of any grade whatever, in the Asylum; nor has any accident befallen a member of the school.

I have not, at present, the statistics whereby I can give the probable causes of deaf-dumbness. My connection with the Institution is of a date so recent, that I have not had opportunities for making the proper enquiries. Neither have I, for the same reason, been able to collect a sufficient number of facts, to show the relative proportion of congenital to accidental cases; nor what diseases are the most frequent causes of the defect in either case. There is, however, so far as I have been able to observe, a disease, which, in this State at least, is a far more frequent and efficient cause of the defect, than would be inferred from the statistics of the different Institutions. I speak of *Scrofula*. I have not the figures by which to be guided, in forming an estimate of the frequency with which this disease destroys the powers of speech and hearing. I am, however, thoroughly convinced, in part from limited observation, but more from a careful examination of the reports of other institutions, that *Scrofula* causes a much larger proportion of cases, than is attributed to it in such reports. From these reports, the conclusion forces itself upon me, that a much greater proportion of deaf-mutes present obvious manifestations of a strumous habit, than an equal number of the general population. Of 1630 in the European Institutions, *Scrofula* is given as the cause in nineteen only. In the New York school, seven only, of 431 cases, are referred to this disease. And of 1314 pupils in all the American Institutions, deaf-dumbness is attributed to *Scrofula* in thirteen, or one in 101. In European schools, the proportion is, I believe, about one in 81. But many diseases alleged and reported as causes of deaf-dumbness, seem to me, in many instances, to be but so many different manifestations of a strumous habit. For instance, of 1314 cases in American schools, 126 are reported as caused by "ulcers, gatherings and similar diseases of head, ears and throat." Twenty-eight are attributed to "dropsy of the head." Now, among the general population, such diseases as those affecting the 126, are, in a vast majority of instances, but so many exhibitions of a vice of constitution—none other than *Scrofula*. I am persuaded, that these maladies of the head, ears and throat, are scarcely ever seen without other indications of a scrofulous habit being present. And the twenty-eight cases, said to be "dropsy of the head," are governed by a similar but more invariable law. Prof. Alonzo Clark, of New York city, declares that he cannot say he has ever seen a well-marked case of meningitis, (the cause of "dropsy of the head,") in a child, entirely free from all scrofulous taint. There were, then, in American Asylums, 126 in which the defect was referred to affections of the head, ears and throat, twenty-eight to

dropsy of the head, and thirteen to Scrofula proper. Now, the probability is, that of these 167 cases, a very large proportion were caused, remotely or immediately by Scrofula. Thus making the proportion of cases in American schools caused by Scrofula, one in eight, instead of one in 100, as indicated by their reports. So, in European Institutions, of 1630 cases, one hundred are attributed to various diseases of head, neck and ears, seventy-four to diseases of the brain, and nineteen to Scrofula, making in all one hundred and ninety-three cases of the disease, or nearly one in eight. But further, of these 1630 cases, 156 were caused by "convulsions." Now, many of these so-called "convulsions," must have been merely symptomatic of meningitis. This would render the proportion in European Institutions considerably greater. Now, it would be very strange that the number of cases caused by similar diseases, should be so nearly equal in American and European schools, were there not some original vice of constitution, common to the different places, operating to produce the effect. A number of the cases herein mentioned, may not have been of strumous habit, and the proportion *may be* somewhat too great. I can, at present, give but probabilities. I hope, at some future day, to be in possession of such facts as will throw more light upon this whole question of causation. And although the results here given do not appear in the statistical tables of reports, yet, the fact is elsewhere fully admitted in some of them. See Dr. Peet's 35th Annual Report. But there is another fact relative to deaf-mutes, which bears with considerable force on this point. In the above-mentioned report of the New York school, it is stated, that among the deaf and dumb, the rate of mortality is about one-half greater than among persons of the same ages not so afflicted. In the Yorkshire Institution, the average mortality in eighteen years, was one in eleven, whilst among the general population of the same ages, the average was but one in seventeen. And in the Missouri school, I have repeatedly observed, that the deaf and dumb are much less likely to recover from grave diseases, than others not thus defective. Now, how account for this disproportionate mortality—how explain these prominent facts? This result is so constant and so uniform, that we conclude its cause must be equally constant and uniform. And as a large proportion of deaf mutes, at some time of life, present clear indications of Scrofula. It must be that uniform cause. Another curious fact relative to the rate of mortality among the deaf-dumb, is, that it is nearly twice as great among females, as males. Nor is this accidental and confined to particular localities, but prevails in all American Asylums, so far as statistics are given. The following table is from the 35th Annual Report of the New York Institution for the instruction of the deaf and dumb:

COMPARATIVE RATE OF MORTALITY.

MALES.		FEMALES.	
New York.....	1 in 142	New York.....	1 in 88
Hartford.....	1 in 105	Hartford.....	1 in 67
Philadelphia.....	1 in 108	Philadelphia.....	1 in 56
Ohio	1 in 131	Ohio	1 in 85

In the Missouri Asylum, of five deaths, occurring during the past two years, there was but one male. I do not know how to account for this different rate of mortality among the sexes. It is doubtless partially

attributable to the difference of their habits. But this does not explain the whole matter. It is a fact worthy of note, that whilst the New York and Philadelphia schools were situated in the crowded portions of the respective cities, the proportional mortality was much greater than at present. So in the Missouri school, disease was of more frequent occurrence, and more fatal, whilst the *old* buildings were crowded with pupils, than since the present excellent structure has been occupied. In fact the disproportion was great, and can be accounted for by two causes only—the crowded state of the buildings, and their location with respect to the sewers of the State Lunatic Asylum. And in reference to future sanitary regulations, I may here say, that, no other one thing is more injurious to deaf mutes than crowded and badly ventilated rooms. Such a state of things ought by all means to be avoided, especially with regard to sleeping apartments. I know it is thought that accidents are better guarded against by having large numbers together. But it were far better to prevent accident by some means less expensive of human life. Let me here call attention to the condition of pupils just entering the Institution. Three of the cases of disease, resulting in death, were very clearly traceable to undue exposure whilst coming hither. The pupil who died since the new building has been occupied, came in a stage-coach, at night, in cool weather, with an insufficient quantity of clothing, reaching this place sick of well defined typhoid fever. This ought not so to be. And I would respectfully suggest that some plan be adopted to prevent, as far as possible, the recurrence of similar instances. Deaf mutes are peculiarly impressible by changes of temperature. The diseases most fatal to them, and to which they are most subject, are those affecting the respiratory organs. Undue exposure is the chief exciting cause of such maladies. It would be, therefore, proper in some way to caution parents so to choose the time of sending their children hither, the mode of traveling, and the character of clothing, as to involve the least danger of their being affected by such causes of disease.

In order better to secure the health of pupils, it will be necessary to erect two hospital rooms of sufficient size—one for sick males, and the other for females. These rooms should be connected with the main buildings, and, if possible, on the same floor with the Superintendent's chambers. The wards for females, especially, should be so connected with the present structure, as to be at all times convenient and easily accessible to the Superintendent and Matron. The rooms should also be on the second floor, so as to secure the best natural ventilation; the ceilings be high, the windows large and "double hung." These rooms, however, to be most suitable for the sick, should be heated by steam. The advantage would be two-fold: You obtain an uniform and controllable temperature, in the first place; secondly, you secure a system of artificial ventilation during the cooler months of the year. This is a very important consideration. It is a singular fact that sick deaf mutes are as much (perhaps more) disturbed by noise and company, as those who hear. For this reason, the hospital should be so constructed with reference to the main building, as to avoid the evil effects of such disturbance. But there is a still more important reason why it should be, to a certain extent, isolated from the rest of the building. In the event of epidemic and contagious diseases visiting the Institution, the necessity of this arrangement would become obvious. Nothing but the strictest isolation could prevent the spreading of the latter

class of diseases. These diseases may come, and the Asylum ought to be prepared for them.

Bath rooms are also very much needed. It is highly important, not only for the sake of cleanliness, but as an excellent sanitary measure, that the pupils should bathe at least once a week. This will be absolutely necessary when the school rooms and dormitories shall have become somewhat crowded. It is a well established fact, that large numbers of persons occupying the same apartments are much more liable to, and recover much less frequently from, grave diseases than those occupying buildings where this state of things does not obtain. This is very eminently true of the deaf-dumb. All facts go to prove that they are much less able to resist the evil effects of confinement and crowded rooms than any other class of persons. Frequent bathing will, to a great extent, guard against the injurious consequences flowing from such a condition of things. One bath room connected with each hospital room, would, perhaps, be sufficient. Each bath room ought also to be so arranged as to be accessible, at all times, to pupils other than the sick, without, in any respect, disturbing the latter. This arrangement would do away with the necessity for having general bath rooms for pupils not sick. These rooms ought also to be well supplied with warm and cold water.

The need of proper water closets is also very sensibly felt. Of these, one should adjoin each hospital ward. These should be constructed on that plan best suited to prevent the diffusion of impure air through the wards. To obtain this desirable end, the necessity would arise for having to each one an abundant and continued supply of water, to keep them thoroughly clean.

It will also become necessary that there be a large sewer, with the required branches, for the purpose of carrying off the effete matters, incident to so large an Institution. The main sewer should be sufficiently large, and have that degree of descent, which would entirely prevent choking. With these improvements properly carried out, it is believed the buildings will be in an excellent condition for the reception of pupils, and for the preservation of their health, whilst receiving the benefits of this noble charity.

Respectfully submitted,

ARCH. YOUNG.

FULTON, Dec. 20th, 1854.

APPENDIX

The Commissioners who attended the examination in July last made the following

REPORT:

"It is always pleasing to witness the progress of youth in attainment of knowledge, but peculiarly so in the case of those to whom the Almighty has shut up one of the great avenues of information, and from whom He has shut out all that world of knowledge and pleasure derived through one of the most important senses.

"It was our privilege to be present last week at the examination, at the close of the session of the Missouri Institution for the Deaf and Dumb. The exercises were brief but interesting—exhibiting the rapid progress of the pupils, as well as the practicability of greatly improving this unfortunate class of our fellow beings, and of causing the light of knowledge to shine into their darkened minds, though one of the windows be forever shut.

"The exercises commenced with the expounding by the Principal, in the sign language, of a short text of scripture; while the unwavering attention, the earnest countenance, the occasional involuntary movement of the hand following the sign, showed that all were interested, and that many of the number *comprehended* the great truth, "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life." Then followed a short prayer, during which the silence of death prevailed, and every eye followed each word of the prayer, which though not spoken could be heard in heaven.

"The classes, from the least to the most advanced, were then examined by the Superintendent and assistants respectively. The mode of examination was by writing a question upon the blackboard, or communicating it by signs, the answer to which was written by the pupil; or by writing a single word, which was immediately woven into a sentence. Progress and improvement were evinced by all those examined. The *little ones* examined, who had only been in the Institution part of a session, promptly wrote down answers to simple questions in a more legible hand than many, not thus afflicted by nature, and enjoying the best opportunities for a much longer time. The other classes examined in Geography, History, and items of general knowledge, showed great readiness, and the acquisition of a

store of important information which must be of immense benefit to them in after life.

"The assistants, (Messrs. George, McFarland, and English) are also deaf-mutes, and, being afflicted in this point like as their pupils, seem to feel a deep interest in their welfare, and to take pleasure and show great aptness in communicating to them the knowledge which they themselves have acquired and the benefit of which they can so fully appreciate. Their efficiency as teachers, and the success of their efforts, together with those of the Superintendent, need no stronger proof than the proficiency of their classes.

"But the improvement of the pupils and the great benefit of this Institution are not exhibited in the lessons alone. They are exhibited in the general improvement of the pupils in manners, habits, and general intelligence. This gradual inwrought, radical improvement of the pupils who stay for a time in the Institution, is clearly perceived, and often remarked by those who frequently visit it; it can be read in the cultivated countenance; it can be seen in the sparkling eye, kindling with thought and beaming with intelligence; it can be seen in the more graceful movement, the more cultivated manners; in the easy self-possession of both sexes, but more especially of the females, evincing the moulding and refining influence of the worthy Matron. And we may be allowed to affirm that this general improvement is one of the great objects constantly had in view by the Superintendent and Matron, and one of the great ends to which their efforts are directed.

The females are under the special superintendence of the Matron, the door of the large airy sitting room which they occupy, except in school hours, opening immediately into hers, placing them constantly under her eye, and giving them at the same time, free access to her sympathy, kindness, and maternal advice. In a word, the arrangement of the building and the management of the females have distinctly in view their comfort, convenience, and protection. Those, then, who have daughters whom they would like to have in the Institution, may send them on without delay, and place them, without hesitation, under the care of Mrs. Kerr, being assured that an energy unsurpassed, a faithfulness and a deep abiding interest, as unwearied as they are surprising, cannot fail to render their daughters contented and happy, as well as more refined and more intelligent.

The building will be entirely completed by the commencement of the next session.

"A chemical and philosophical apparatus, for the improvement of the pupils, has been added to the Institution recently.

"A considerable library has been contributed by the kindness of friends in different parts of the State.

"It would seem that such advantages, such officers, and such assistants cannot fail to make the Institution all that can be desired by those who may wish to send their children to it. There were in attendance during the session sixty-four pupils. The next session will commence on the first of October, and it is highly important that all the pupils should be present at the opening of the session.

"We will just add that the following piece of original composition was read before the audience, in the sign language, by one of the pupils, at the close of the exercises—the principal repeating it as he went along. Thinking it might be interesting to preserve it, we have procured a copy.

(Signed)

W. H. BAILEY,
A. J. MOORE,
J. S. HENDERSON, } *Commissioners.*

"The pupils of this Institution have been generally industrious, and have acquired much knowledge that will be useful to them. The intercourse between the officers and the pupils has been pleasant. Much effort has been made to improve us. We have been brought out of the deepest and darkest ignorance into a new and joyful world. We are grateful to our teachers, and to the benevolent people of Missouri for erecting so noble an edifice for the unfortunate. And above all we are grateful to our Heavenly Father for his goodness to us.

"We are pleased to see these friends of the Institution here to witness our annual examination.

"The pupils and teachers are about to separate from each other. It is a sad thing to bid farewell to each other. May a kind Providence protect us all."

CONDITION OF THE MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF ST. LOUIS, JANUARY 1, 1855.

Stock Notes,.....	\$150,000 00
Bills Receivable,.....	189,625 66
Individual Debtors,.....	15,616 29
Cash,.....	41,998 91
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	\$397,235 86
Capital Stock,	\$300,000 00
Stockholders for dues,.....	10,000 00
Mutual Insurance for 1854,.....	57,019 69
Individual Creditors,.....	1,947 86
Balance to 1855,.....	28,268 81
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	\$397,235 86

*To the Speaker of the House and President of the Senate,
Jefferson City, Missouri:*

GENTS: In compliance with the Charter, I herewith submit through you, to the Legislature, the actual condition and situation of this Company on the 1st day of January, 1855.

JOHN TILDEN, *President.*

D. HOUGH, *Secretary.*

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE MISSOURI INSTITUTION

FOR THE

EDUCATION OF THE BLIND.

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives,
The General Assembly of the State of Missouri:*

The Trustees of the Missouri Institution for the Education of the Blind, respectfully present the following Report:

The Institution under our care, is in good and prosperous condition, and the practicability of educating the Blind, has been fully proved by the experience of more than three years. We have been fortunate in obtaining the services of very competent persons as Superintendent and Matron, and the progress of the scholars has been such as to satisfy and surprise us.

For the better assurance of those to whom we look as the guardians of the public charities, we have made arrangements to send several of the scholars to Jefferson City, this winter, to exhibit their proficiency in school studies and in several branches of handicraft. This will be more satisfactory, we think, than the most careful written report, and will prove beyond a doubt, the great usefulness of the Institution to those under its care.

Our only difficulty and cause of regret, is in the small number of our pupils. Not more than one-seventh of those who are entitled to the benefits of the Institution, have yet enjoyed them. This arises in part, from our limited accommodations in the building and workshops, and from our restricted means, which prevent enlarged action; and in part, from the reluctance always felt by parents of blind children to send them away from home. This reluctance is, however, beginning to disappear, and we have good reason to hope, that the present number will be doubled, whenever we are prepared to receive so large an accession.

For the means of making such preparation, by the enlargement and completion of the buildings recently purchased, and for placing the Institution upon a permanent and strong foundation, we now most respectfully and most urgently make appeal.

To accomplish these objects in a manner creditable to the State, and upon the smallest scale practicable, will require the appropriation of not less than \$30,000, for buildings, workshops, &c., and an annual appropriation of at least \$5,000 for current expenses.

We have taken great pains to reduce our estimates, and to economize on the yearly expenditure, and we are confident that the Institution cannot be successfully conducted at smaller cost than now stated.

The education of the Blind is unavoidably very expensive, but it is a work of charity, which properly devolves upon the State, and the unfortunate condition of the uneducated and helpless Blind, constitutes a claim which cannot be refused. The public may justly refuse to help those who

are unwilling to help themselves, but the Blind are made helpless by the dispensation of God, and no pains or cost should be spared in alleviating the hardships of their lot.

We are encouraged by seeing the liberal provision made in other States for this class of sufferers, to hope that equal liberality will be manifested by Missouri. In all of the older States, and in most of the new, the education of the Blind is now regarded as a regular charge on the public Treasury, for which ample provision is made. Pennsylvania appropriates annually, \$25,000 to this department of charity, and our neighboring State, Illinois, after having expended \$100,000 in the establishment of an Institution, is now paying nearly \$10,000 annually, in its support.

We most respectfully refer to these facts, to prove that our own appeal now made, though asking for a large sum, is not unusual in kind, nor unreasonable in degree. If we knew how to act less consistently, with doing our work well, we would gladly reduce the amount.

The accompanying Reports, presented at the last public meeting of the Board of Trustees, Nov. 6, 1854, will fully explain the condition of the Institution. They are here appended as a part of this report.

We remain, as in duty bound,

Your ob'd't servants,

(On behalf of the Board of Trustees,)

WILLIAM G. ELIOT, *President.*

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES.

PRESENTED NOVEMBER 6, 1854,

The Trustees of the Missouri Institution for the education of the Blind ask leave to present the following report :

Three years have now elapsed since the commencement of our enterprise, and we are gratified in being able to state that it has thus far been crowned with success. We have proved by our own experience that the education of the blind is not only a practicable scheme, but attended with fewer difficulties, and accomplishing greater results than expected. The number of scholars is at present twenty-one, and we do not hesitate to say that there are few schools of seeing children, in which more intelligent faces are seen, or better evidence given of the intellectual and moral progress of the pupils. Their advancement in the studies suited to their years has been very great, and in the elementary branches, such as geography and arithmetic, reading and spelling, they compare, not unfavorably, with those of the same age in other schools. Their taste in music is cultivated, a youthful orchestra has been formed, and many of them both sing and play with sufficient skill to make their performance attractive. They are learning to rely upon themselves to a surprising degree, so that they move about with almost as much confidence as if they could see, and the spectator, who witnesses their sports and gymnastic exercise, can scarcely believe that they are blind. They have uniformly acquired habits of neatness and of industry. Many of them have been taught trades by which they can earn a comfortable living, and the articles of their manufacture enter into competition with the best which the market affords. So rapidly and well is their work done, that they almost see with their fingers, and they evidently enjoy themselves while at their work. But this statement gives no adequate idea of the general improvement witnessed. Their countenances indicate that a complete and thorough renovation of the mind is taking place, and some who came to the Institution with such dull and stolid looks, that it was painful to see them, now have bright and smiling faces which grow positively beautiful under the influence of thought and feeling. Nor is this a matter of surprise, for they have been redeemed from the most dreary and hopeless life, and surrounded by a world which, to their imagination, is full of beauty and to their experience, full of kindness. In one instance, a boy was received into the Institution, a little more than a year ago, who seemed to be in the condition of helpless idiocy. Every one but his mother thought him to be in fact an idiot. She rested her hope of his improvement upon some occasional glimmerings of intellect which no one but a mother would have observed. At eight years of age he could not talk, and his face was so dull, that we almost doubted if he could hear. He needed as much attention as an infant, being unable in any way to help himself. For two or three months we doubted, if anything could be done,

and at one of our meetings the Superintendent reported that he had nearly abandoned hope. But being a man who knows how to "hope against hope," he persevered, and now, if you visit the Institution, you will see that little boy running about the play-ground, or learning his lesson in the school-room with all the liveliness and intelligence which belong to his age. It seems to us not only the education, but almost the creation of a mind. His features seem to have changed, and his head, which looked like that of an idiot, is becoming developed under the influence of mental exercise. Instead of growing up in idiotic stupidity, he has the prospect before him of a happy and independent life.

This general improvement of our scholars is to be attributed mainly to the faithful exertions of Mr. and Mrs. Whelan, the Principal and Matron, and of their Assistant, Herman Strachanan, who literally spare no pains in the performance of their duties. But we are disposed to attach great importance to another cause by which their progress has been aided. The School is frequently visited by a number of ladies, who read aloud to the children such books as they can understand, and converse with them upon different subjects of interest. They impart to their pupils something of their own refinement and intelligence, and thereby give them the best advantages which education can afford. In the name of the blind we thank them for their labor of charity and love. Among them was one whom death has taken away, and whose place cannot easily be filled; but her memory is blessed, and, although dead, her influence will continue to encourage those who remain, in their efforts to do good. I refer to Mrs. ANN HITCHCOCK, a lady, whose whole life, for many years, had been spent in the care of the poor and afflicted. Her departure from this life is mourned not only by us, but by almost every charitable association of St. Louis.

We have been led to attach so much importance to the general influence thus exerted, that it has contributed to a change of our plans with regard to the permanent location of the Institute. We had at first proposed to place it at the distance of three or four miles from the city, and no less than four sites were offered for our acceptance; one on the Carondelet road, at a distance of five miles, by the City Council of St. Louis; one near the Marine Hospital, by Elihu H. Shepherd, Esq.; one at Laclede, on the Pacific Railroad, by O. S. Rannels, Esq.; and one at a distance of three miles, on the Natural Bridge Plankroad, by Col. John O'Fallon. Each of these sites contains from three to five acres, and their present value is very considerable. But mature reflection, founded upon the experience of other Institutions, satisfied us that a more convenient location was essential to the prosperity of our school. The Institution needs constant oversight, and should be easily accessible to all whose curiosity or charitable feelings lead them there. The blind depend upon *hearing*, for a great part of their education, and familiar intercourse with educated and refined persons is of the utmost importance. They also gain a great deal by being allowed to go occasionally into the streets, and no better practical demonstration of their improvement can be given than by their confidence in going from one part of the city to another. We therefore determined to select a central place, and have purchased, at a reasonable price, the property known as the estate of General John Ruland, situated between Nineteenth and Twentieth streets, and extending from Morgan street to Franklin Avenue. It contains two hundred and eighteen by three hundred feet of ground, and the buildings already there can be used to advantage so far as they go

The cost of this property was *twenty-seven thousand dollars*, of which fifteen thousand have been paid, and the balance is due in one and two years from the time of purchase. We have in Treasury, remaining of the State appropriation for building purposes, the sum of six thousand dollars, (including interest,) which is nearly enough to meet the second payment when due. We shall, therefore, need a further appropriation of about seven thousand dollars, including interest on notes given, to meet our present obligations, beside what will be needed for the alterations and enlargement of the buildings purchased, so as to adapt them to the permanent uses of the Institution. By a careful estimate, this will require not less than twenty thousand dollars. The whole amount, therefore, which we need, taking furniture into account, may be stated at thirty thousand dollars. We will further state, that when we contemplated building upon one of the sites offered to us, as above named, we spent much time in obtaining plans and estimates for a building, to be constructed with as much regard to economy as the permanent usefulness of the Institution would allow, and could find no way of accomplishing the result at a less cost, for the building alone, than forty to forty-five thousand dollars. Our ultimate expenditure, therefore, will be but little, if at all, increased by the course adopted, while we gain by it in three respects: We have exactly the location which the Institution requires; the citizens will have free access to it, so that their interest will be kept alive; and the property is under our own absolute control, so that we can sell either a part of it or the whole, if the interests of the Institution should ever require. This could not have been done with property given conditionally and exclusively for our use, and we entertain serious doubts whether, as agents of a State Institution, we could with propriety expend a State appropriation in a manner which might, under some circumstances, involve a total loss. However wisely the present location may be chosen, future events, in a city changing so rapidly as ours, may require its removal. This right of change we now possess, and as the value of the property purchased is rapidly increasing and is already worth four thousand dollars more than when we obtained it, we think that a judicious expenditure, considered as a permanent investment of State funds, has been made.

We must also call your attention to the necessity of asking from the Legislature some permanent arrangement for the support of the Institution under our care. It has been heretofore supported by the annual State appropriation of three thousand dollars, and the sum of two thousand dollars contributed annually by the citizens of St. Louis. But this arrangement was made for the limited term of five years, upon the fourth of which we have now entered, and which will therefore close before the convening of the General Assembly of '56 and '57. It will be necessary, therefore, in order to put our school on the footing which properly belongs to it as a State Institution, to obtain an appropriation of not less than five thousand dollars, annually from the next General Assembly. It may seem to be a large sum, but it should be remembered, that the successful education of the blind requires the employment of many teachers, and that all the arrangements of their schoolroom are unavoidably expensive. There are some kinds of charity, the expense of which, should not be taken into account, except so far as may be consistent with the best performance of the work. The blind, the deaf mutes and the insane, have been called "God's poor," and the whole community should act as the stewards of

his bounty. We pledge ourselves to use the best economy we can, and cheerfully give our own time and attention in doing the work committed to our charge. But beyond this we cannot go; and unless adequate means are provided by those for whom we act, the work itself must stand still. We have no fear of such a result. The citizens of St. Louis county will continue to do their part, and we confidently look to the Legislature of the State for the rest.

The number of our pupils has been already stated at twenty-one. Four or five have left us, with an education sufficient to make them nearly or quite independent by their own exertions. The general health has been very good, and the children are required to take a great deal of exercise in the open air, as a means of increasing their strength. Their bodily frame is generally weak, for the same physical causes which result in the loss of sight, often lead to constitutional debility and disease. The regulation of their diet, therefore, and other habits of life, requires constant and judicious care. They need simple but nutritious food, well ventilated and light rooms, and other cheerful influences around them, to guard them from sickness and suffering. For these reasons, blind children whose parents are poor, are peculiarly unfortunate. They need the comforts which money alone can buy, and which ought therefore to be supplied to them at the general charge. This we are able to do at our Institution, and the pleasant result in the improved health of our scholars, is plainly seen. One of their number has, however, been removed by death. During the vacation of last summer, Elizabeth Serena Taylor died at her father's house in this city. She was one of our best pupils, and greatly endeared to us by the beauty and excellence of her character. Her life was adorned by Christian graces, and her death was made happy by Christian faith. She was an illustration, that although no sectarian instruction is allowed in our school, the knowledge of the Saviour may here be gained. She relied, with full confidence, upon his promises of salvation, and "fell asleep" in the assurance of eternal bliss.

We append to this report a statement of the Treasurer's accounts, and a report of the Principal of the Institution, in which you will find a more detailed statement of its affairs.

WILLIAM G. ELIOT,	} Trustees.
HUDSON E. BRIDGE,	
JOSEPH CHARLESS,	
S. POLLAK,	
JAMES E. YEATMAN,	
R. S. HOLMES,	
C. HAYWOOD,	

R. M. Renick, Treasurer, in account with the Missouri Institution for the Education of the Blind,

Dr.

Nov. 1, 1853—To bal. on hand, as pr last settlement rendered	\$1,021. 25
1854—To State of Missouri, annual subscription.....	8,000 00
“ To subscription acc't received from private subscribers	2,164 00
“ To interest account received from John Simonds, on account of deposits.....	6 94
	<hr/> \$6,192 19

APPENDIX.

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By salaries' account.....	\$1,515 26
By servants' hire.....	328 00
By fuel.....	250 57
By rent.....	377 86
By clothing.....	388 83
By traveling expenses.....	56 75
By general expenses.....	1,810 41
By books and apparatus.....	91 10
By house furniture.....	190 40
By manufacturing.....	880 68
By balance on hand.....	798 33
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	\$6,192 19

R. M. Renick, Treasurer, in account with the Missouri Institution for the Education of the Blind.

BUILDING FUND ACCOUNT—DR.

Nov. 8, 1853—To cash received from Lucas & Simonds, being one-half of State donation.....	\$10,000 00
April 8, 1854—To cash received from Lucas & Simonds, interest on above.....	368 43
April 8, 1854—To do. balance of State donation.....	10,000 90
Nov. 15, 1854—To do. received from R. M. Renick, interest on deposits.....	576 67
Aug. 15, 1854—To do. received rent from Morgan street property.....	112 50
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	\$21,057 50

CR.

May 3, 1854—By cash paid first instalment on Morgan street property.....	15,000 00
Nov. 14, 1854—By balance on hand subject to order for building purposes.....	6,057 50
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	\$21,057 50

Upon examination of the above account of R. M. Renick, Treasurer, it appears to be correct.

F. A. DICK,
R. K. WOODS, } Committee.

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT.

*To the Trustees of the Missouri Institution
For the Education of the Blind:*

GENTLEMEN: By my monthly communications to your Board, and by your individual visits to the Institution, you are kept so well informed of the wants, progress and general condition of our school, that an annual report from me, if not very brief, must necessarily be tedious and uninteresting; besides this, the duties and occurrences of an Institution like ours are so regular, that a report of one year would in most respects serve for any other.

During the year which is just closing, but little has occurred worthy of special attention; and yet, we cannot review our past history, without feelings of profound gratitude to Him, by whose divine mercy and goodness, we have been permitted to pursue the even tenor of our way, with scarcely a serious obstacle to impede our slow but steady progress.

The last three days of the session, which closed on the first of July, were devoted to a thorough examination of the school. Not a single pupil passed unnoticed, and no one failed to give evidence of some improvement; if any fell short of our wishes, others more than realized our expectation.

By this examination it appeared that all but two or three had mastered their letters, that about two-thirds were able to read; about the same number had gone as far in arithmetic as fractions; a class of eight had mastered square and cube root, and were, I think, thoroughly acquainted with everything up to that point; the same class had made very respectable progress in geography, history and grammar. A small class had also nearly mastered the first four books of plain geometry, and had made some progress in algebra. But as the results of this examination were minutely detailed in a communication at your July meeting, I will not pursue the subject further in this place, but would merely add, that in their studies as well as in their general conduct and deportment, the pupils have, with but very few exceptions, merited my entire approbation.

To music we have given much attention, but in consequence of circumstances wholly beyond our control, we have less to show in this, than in any other department; and in fact less now, than at any previous period since the opening of the school. Anxious to make his department as interesting as possible, both to the pupils themselves, and to visitors, Mr. Ramsey, upon his appointment, commenced a little Band or Orchestra, including in it several of the young men who had received no previous instruction, and who (as experience proved) had little or no talent; he also gave parts to some of the females on the piano; by this arrangement, and by dint of much patient exertion on his part, he succeeded in making them play a number of pieces. Convinced, however, that the labor bestowed upon adults of inferior talent, would never be repaid by any advantage

to themselves, they were permitted to quit practising, and the Orchestra itself was discontinued soon after Mr. R. left us. This, together with the loss of our two best voices, has, as already remarked, left us with but little to show for all our trouble.

Our new music teacher, Mr. H. Robyn, who entered upon his duties at the beginning of the present session, has commenced another little Orchestra, and has also re-organized our singing class; both of these, from the fact, that they consist altogether of young pupils, promise greater permanency and progress than we have hitherto been able to count upon.

Mr. Robyn, although an entire stranger to the blind, gives fair promise of ultimate success.

I would also in this connection record my entire satisfaction with Mr. Konigsberg, who was employed during part of last session as vocal teacher of Misses Taylor and Fazakerley. The rapid improvement of his pupils was the best comment upon his skill and ability as a teacher; and having lost those, for whose especial benefit he was employed, we would earnestly commend him to all who would attain proficiency in this delightful art.

The work department continues to be a source of interesting and useful employment to our pupils, and of astonishment and admiration to all visitors. While it is gratifying to be able to report a decided improvement of the articles made, we are forced to admit that the shop has been less productive, than might have been expected. Viewing it however, in connection with the peculiar circumstances and difficulties by which it has been surrounded, we find but little cause of complaint, for if, as a workshop, it has produced no income, as an important branch of instruction, it has occasioned but little outlay. Had our means justified the employment of a competent foreman, or had I been so situated as to be able to give more attention to the workshop, greater economy might have been exercised in the purchase and use of material, a larger amount and greater variety of work might have been produced, and our sales might have kept pace with our manufacture. When we remember, however, that a thorough brush maker could not be hired for less than four or five hundred dollars a year; that when employed, he would, in all probability, know as little of broom-making, mat-making, etc., as our pupils themselves; that for instruction in these and other things, we should have to pay extra; it becomes evident that we have done the very best that could have been done under existing circumstances.

That a competent foreman would have economized material, and increased the amount of work, is very evident; but that this gain would equal the increased expenditure does not follow. It is also worthy of remark in this connection, that nearly all of the tools now in use in the shop were purchased during the present year, those used last year having been for the most part borrowed.

That most of the work done by our pupils will compare favorably with similar work done by seeing persons, is proved by the unanimous testimony of all who examine it; and it is encouraging to the blind and their friends to be able to refer to the further proof furnished by the premiums awarded to our brushes, door-mats and bead-work, by the "State Agricultural Society." It appears from the account of articles manufactured in the Institution, that brushes, mats &c., have been sold to amount of \$156 45, and that there are on hand in value \$173 55, making a total of \$330; and that the expenses incurred for materials and tools has been \$228.

The large amount of work now on hand may be attributed to two causes—first, the want of a public place to exhibit it, and secondly, our foreman is not a man who can reasonably be expected to make judicious sales. I hope, however, to be able to present to your next meeting a plan by which we shall be relieved of all future trouble on this subject.

If the several departments of study afford evidence of progress, the physical improvement of our pupils is scarcely less encouraging. Those who watch them with curious interest, engaged in their gymnastic exercise, swinging, climbing ropes and ladders, chasing one another upon stilts, jumping, wrestling, &c.; and those, who gaze after them with anxious solicitude as they travel with slow, but steady step from place to place through our city, find but little to remind them of the timid and helpless creatures, who, but a few months before, entered our Institution; and the noisy mirth and faces beaming with joy and gladness; but seldom recall the dog-led blind of by-gone days. A change, a marvelous and glorious change has been effected in the condition of this unfortunate class; and although Milton in his day, spoke of blindness as a dawnless night, a living death, *the principal difference between the educated blind of to-day and their more highly favored companions, is merely that of LIGHT and SHADE.* I make it a rule, never to withhold any privilege from my pupils which can create or encourage confidence in their own powers; they are often permitted and even encouraged to leave the premises without any apparent object, except their own gratification.

I do not mention these, as extraordinary achievements of the blind, but merely to indicate the treatment best calculated to develop their powers. Whatever seeing children can do, the blind can *try*, and it is bad policy to prevent them; for mishaps and failure will only teach prudence and perseverance, and every success inspires fresh confidence. Our pupils (the youngest not excepted,) are allowed the free use of knives, hammers, hatchet, saws, etc., and the greatest evil I have known to arise from it, is an occasional cut or bruised fingers, the loss of a tool from the workshop, or a little extra dirt about the yard.

In conclusion, I would say to the parents and guardians of blind children, treat them as nearly as possible like their seeing companions; allow and *encourage* them to take part in all their amusements, and depend upon it, you will relieve yourselves of much trouble and anxiety, and your afflicted children of half the evils of their misfortunes.

The general health of the school has been remarkably good during the year, but one or two cases of serious illness having occurred, and these, by prompt and skillful treatment, were happily terminated. Blessed with health, and constant and varied employment for mind and body, and surrounded by all the comforts and conveniences of a well regulated family, it is not strange that the contentment, cheerfulness, and happiness of our pupils should be remarked by all visitors.

But while all within the walls of the Institution have been eminently blessed with health, we are called on to mourn the loss of ELIZABETH S. TAYLOR, our first and most promising pupil.

As our first pupil—the one through whose elementary acquirements the practicability of educating the blind, was illustrated first to the Legislature of Missouri, and afterwards to hundreds in various portions of the State. She was endeared to us by every incident and event that marks the origin and progress of our Institution. Mild and gentle, amiable and kind, con-

tented, cheerful and happy, she was a favorite among her companions, while industry, perseverance and correct deportment, gave her equal claims upon the respect and confidence of her teachers. To many other attractions she added the charms of music; endowed with fair talent and a superior voice, she bid fair to merit more than a passing notice in the musical world; for with but very limited instruction and practice, she already began to attract much attention. With the innocency and simplicity of childhood she combined the dignity and manners of riper years. In short, to say that she was the ornament of our school, is neither flattery to her memory, nor injustice to her companions.

She was taken sick at the residence of her parents in this city, soon after the close of our last session, and died after a few days' illness. We mourn her loss, but can scarcely hope to supply her place.

The number admitted since the opening of the school is twenty-seven; of these, one has died, and five, for different causes, have left or been dismissed; leaving our present number twenty-one.

I might properly, in this connection, point out the difficulties of inducing the blind to enter school; but it has been done so repeatedly by almost every one connected with their education, that I forbear to tell the old story. Suffice it to say, that almost the only way of convincing the blind and their friends of the advantages of such an Institution is, by giving public exhibitions in various portions of the State; and this has been done by us as far as our means and other circumstances would allow; for it must be remembered, that traveling with a number of blind children is both difficult and expensive. It is hoped, however, that the liberality of our next Legislature, and the increasing facilities for traveling will soon enable us to disseminate practical knowledge upon this subject throughout the length and breadth of the State; and to extend to every blind child of Missouri the inestimable blessing now enjoyed by the few.

Conscious that the growing wants of our Institution are fully understood and appreciated by you, and that the same will be properly presented to the Legislature, it seems like stepping beyond my sphere to venture any suggestions upon the subject; still my daily contact with increasing evils growing out of the want of adequate means, may justify a few remarks.

As already intimated, traveling, and giving public exhibitions through various portions of the State, is the most efficient, and, indeed, almost the only method, of finding out, and inducing the blind to enter school; but this course is so expensive, and our means have been so limited, that we have been compelled to confine our traveling to the most public and cheapest routes; hence, we know almost as little of the isolated blind, who reside in the remote and obscure portions of the State now, as we did at the opening of the school, and I am therefore not at all surprised at the slow and tardy growth of the Institution. If the oldest and most prosperous Institutions of the country find it necessary at this late day to make annual excursions with their pupils, through various portions of their respective States, can we, in our infancy, expect to get along with less trouble and expense? The reports of other Institutions show that companies of from ten to fifteen pupils, with a full complement of officers and servants, have traveled for weeks and weeks together; that these tours have been repeated year after year; and whatever be their expenses they are invariably represented as being eminently beneficial and satisfactory in their

results. Can we be expected to accomplish the same, or equal results by mere circulars and newspaper advertisements? Obviously not.

To teach the blind is the *second* step in this benevolent enterprise; to prove to them and their friends that they are susceptible of education, is the first. To instruct them is easy; but to induce them to enter school is difficult.

Again it must be remembered that, thus far, nearly the whole of the school duties, and also the general management of the establishment, have devolved upon one person. Now, it is obvious that this cannot continue; for whether the school increase in numbers or not, the progress of the pupils will, in itself, multiply and increase the duties of the teacher. Again, our musical department calls for more attention. Hitherto we have only paid at the rate of about three hundred dollars per annum for musical instruction; and we have, perhaps, received all that was indispensably necessary; but I am convinced, that although a few individuals may continue to improve, many must be partially neglected if a music teacher cannot be paid to spend more of his time with our pupils. And I do not hesitate to say, that five or six hundred dollars per annum is little enough for the attention which we at the present time require in this respect, even with our present limited number; for, although music is peculiarly adapted to the blind, yet the young student meets with difficulties, at every step of his progress, which neither talent nor industry can surmount without the guiding hand of a skilful teacher.

The mechanical department, although daily attracting more attention, has never been provided with a fully competent teacher or foreman, nor can it be with our present means.

I may also refer to our limited library and to the want of maps, globes and other school apparatus.

If, in connection with these considerations, we make due allowance for the increased expenses consequent on the increase of the school, it will appear very evident that unless more liberal appropriations be made by the next Legislature, the growth and prosperity of our Institution will be materially checked.

Before closing this brief sketch of the present condition of our Institution, I would tender our grateful acknowledgments to the ladies who have read in our school during the year.

Mrs. HENRY HITCHCOCK, who suggested this generous contribution to the instruction and amusement of our pupils, is no more; but here, as elsewhere, her acts of charity, and words of kindness and encouragement, will long be remembered.

I would also acknowledge the kind consideration of many editors and publishers. The Republican, Democrat, Intelligencer, Herald, Western Watchman, Boonville Observer, Lexington Express, and Weston Reporter, are sent gratuitously to the Institution; for which the proprietors will please accept our thanks.

We are indebted to Capt. WINELAND, of the steamer J. H. Lucas, for carrying several of our pupils to and from their homes on the Missouri, free of charge. His kindness is rendered the more striking by the fact, that some of the Mississippi boats have charged full price, and others have even *refused* to take them for pay, unless accompanied by a person to take care of them. Nor am I unmindful of the kind hearted and gentlemanly officers of the Elvira, with whom myself and pupils recently traveled from Boonville.

Respectfully submitted,

St. Louis, October 26, 1854.

E. W. WHELAN, *Principal*.

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

OF

THE PACIFIC RAILROAD,

TO THE SECRETARY OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, FOR THE YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 30th, 1854.

By the 11th section of the Amended Charter of the Pacific Railroad, approved March 1st, 1851, an Annual Report is required to be made to the Secretary of State of Missouri, showing in certain forms the operations of the year ending the 30th day of November. In the 38th section of "An Act to authorize the formation of Railroad Associations, and to regulate the same," approved February 24th, 1853, a more detailed report is suggested from "all existing Railroad Corporations." Clause 105 of said section 38 is as follows:—"The provisions of this section shall apply to all existing Railroad Corporations, made in pursuance to the provisions of this section, and shall be deemed to be a full compliance with any existing law requiring Annual Reports to be made by such Corporations."

Presuming that it is the desire of the Legislature to have on record full information of the operations of all the Railroads in the State, in uniform manner, this Report is made, in accordance (as nearly as possible, to show the truth) with the requirements of the General Act, approved February 24th, 1853.

It must be stated that the reports called for, seem to look to a *completed road*, while, in fact, but a small portion of this road is complete, and considerable expenditures have been made, not only in extended surveys and locations of two distinct routes from St. Louis to the Western line of the State—one terminating in Jackson county, and the other about 150 miles South, near the South-west corner of the State—but also in the construction (still unfinished) of the second and third divisions of one of these routes, extending to, and West of Jefferson City.

This Report, so far as under the strict requirements of the law, shows only the cost, expenses and business of the first division, from St. Louis to Franklin, on which a track is now laid; but, annexed is a return of all the expenditures made by the Company. The first division of this road extends from St. Louis to the point now known as Franklin, where the South-west Branch leaves the Missouri river route. The construction now progressing on second and third divisions is on the latter route. Two of the depots (at St. Louis and Franklin,) and the machine shop and car factory, have been built with a view to the business of the road extending farther toward the Western line of the State, and are not wholly chargeable to the construction of the first division.

Distance on first division, from Fourteenth street (present depot)
to Franklin.....37 miles.
Distance on first division, from Mississippi River to Franklin 37½ do
Five miles of first division opened for use on December 23d, 1852.
Thirteen miles of first division opened for use on May 9th, 1853.
Whole division opened for use on July 23d, 1853.

GENERAL.

No. of Clause per R. R. Law.			
1.....	The Amount of Capital, as per Charter,.....		\$10,000,000 00
2.....	The Amount of Capital subscribed,.....		3,733,000 00
3.....	The Amount of Capital paid in, as per last Report,.....		1,048,580 00
4.....	The Amount of Capital now paid in,.....		1,866,292 50
5.....	The Amount of Funded Debt, as per last Report,.....		1,240,000 00
	The Amount now of Funded Debt: —		
	State of Missouri,.....	\$2,000,000	
6.....	P. R. R. Depot Bonds,.....	90,000	
	P. R. Anticipation Bonds, } \$800,000, due Jan. 1, 1855, ..		
	} \$48,000, due Jan. 1, 1856, ..	848,000	
			2,488,000 00
7.....	The Amount of Floating Debt, as per last Report,		94,084 50
		Including dues on acco't rails, ..	
8.....	The Amount now of Floating Debt,	575,023 19	
		Inter'st on Scrip, redeemable in Stock, ..	
		7,275 42	
			582,298 62
9.....	The Total Amount of Funded & Floating Debt,.....		3,020,298 61
10.....	Average Rate of Interest of Funded Debt,.....		Six per Cent.

**COST OF ROAD AND EQUIPMENT,
INCLUDING ALL ROLLING STOCK, A LARGE PORTION OF WHICH IS EXPRESSLY
FOR, AND READY FOR OPENING OF SECOND DIVISION.**

No. of Clause per R. R. Law.			
11.....	First Division.—Graduation and Masonry, as per last Report.....	\$848,802 16	
12.....	“ “ Total amount now expended for same..		\$372,660 28
13.....	“ “ Amount of Bridges, per last report....	46,227 93	
14.....	“ “ Total amount now expended for same..		50,125 28
15.....	“ “ Amount of Superstructure, including iron and ballasting, and work of Gravel Trains, as per last report.....	} 334,904 80	
16.....	“ “ Total amount now expended for same..		404,314 57
17.....	“ “ Passenger and Freight Stations, Buildings and fixtures, as per last report....	} 33,998 98	
18.....	“ “ Total amount now expended for same..		44,494 40
19.....	“ “ Engine and Car Houses, Machine Shops and Machinery, as per last report.....	} 29,120 20	
20.....	“ “ Total amount now expended for same..		31,711 43
21.....	“ “ Land, land damage and fencing, as per last report.....	} 126,206 78	
22.....	“ “ Total amount now expended for same..		151,406 78
23.....	“ “ Locomotives and fixtures, as per last report.....	} 57,474 06	
24.....	“ “ Total amount now expended for same..		63,276 89
25.....	“ “ Passenger and Baggage Cars, as per last report.....	} 27,417 88	
26.....	“ “ Total amount now expended for same..		52,937 84
27.....	“ “ Freight Cars, as per last report, including Gravel do.....	} 44,515 24	
28.....	“ “ Total amount now expended for same..		79,125 85
29.....	“ “ Engineering and agencies, as per last report.....	} 47,699 10	
30.....	“ “ Total amount now expended for same..		49,160 60
31.....	“ “ Total cost of Road and Equipment— (for a division of above, see summary)		\$1,799,218 91

CHARACTERISTICS OF ROAD.

No. of Clause per R. R. Law		
22... }	First Division.—Length of Road to Western line of State..... }	280 }
23.....	“ “ Length of S. W. Branch to Western line of State, }	271 } 561 miles.
24.....	“ “ Length of Road laid, (single track).....	87 “
25.....	“ “ Length of double track, including sidings.....	64 “
26.....	“ “ Length of Branches owned by the Company, laid...	None.
27.....	“ “ Length of double track on the same.....	None.
28.....	“ “ Weight of rail, by yard, on main track.....	60 lbs. per yard?
	“ “ The number of Engine Houses and Shops, of Engines and Cars, and characters, are as follows:—	
	“ “ <i>Engine Houses</i> —1 at St. Louis and 2 at Franklin...	3
	“ “ Repair Shops and Car Factory, St. Louis; Black- smith Shop, Franklin.....	3
	“ “ <i>Depot Buildings</i> —St. Louis, Cheltenham, Laclede, Webster, Kirkwood, Barrett's, Meramec, St. Paul, Hamilton, Allenton and Franklin.....	11
	“ “ <i>Water Stations</i> —St. Louis, Laclede, Meramec, Ham- ilton and Franklin.....	5
	“ “ <i>Locomotive Engines</i>	6
	“ “ <i>Stationary Engines</i> —For Machinery, sawing and pumping.....	4
	“ “ Passenger Cars, eight wheels, first class.....	12
	“ “ Post Office and second class Cars.....	6
	“ “ Freight Cars—fifty covered and forty-one platform	91
	“ “ Gravel Cars.....	53
	“ “ Hand and Iron Cars.....	32
	“ “ One Magazine Car for powder, covered and lined with zinc.....	1
29... }	This clause, requiring “Map and Profile,” is presumed to apply to the Road “completed,” and is not, therefore, now furnished.	

DOINGS OF THE YEAR IN TRANSPORTATION.

No. of Clause per R. R. Law		
40.....	First Division.—Miles run by Passenger trains.....	61,868
41... }	“ “ Miles run by Freight trains.....	22,029
42.....	“ “ Miles run by Gravel and Wood trains.....	18,748
43.....	“ “ Rate of Fare for Passengers, per mile.....	2 6-10 cents.
44... }	“ “ Number of Passengers carried in Cars.....	100,850
45... }	“ “ Number of miles traveled by Passengers, or Passengers carried one mile.....	2,075,621
46... }	“ “ Number of tons of freight of 2,000 lbs. carried in Cars.....	25,717
47... }	“ “ Number of miles carried, or number of tons carried one mile.....	728,812
48.....	“ “ Average rate of speed, including stops, of Passenger trains.....	20 miles an hour.
49.....	“ “ Average rate of speed, when in motion.....	30 miles an hour.
50.....	“ “ Average rate of speed, including stops, of Express trains.....	None.
51... }	“ “ Average rate of speed, when in motion.....	None.
52.....	“ “ Average rate of speed, including stops, of Freight trains.....	10 miles an hour.
53... }	“ “ Average rate of speed, when in motion.....	15 miles an hour.
54.....	“ “ Average weight in tons of 2,000 lbs. of Passenger trains, exclusive of passengers and baggage.....	44 4-9 tons.
55... }	“ “ Average weight in tons of Freight trains, exclusive of Freight.....	67½ tons.
56... }	“ “ Amount of Freight, specifying the quantity in tons:	
	Product of the Forest.....	13,229
	Product of Animals.....	1,411
	Vegetable Food.....	8
	Other Agricultural Products.....	558
	Manufactures.....	573
	Merchandise.....	5,504
	Other articles.....	3,493
	Minerals, Iron and Lead.....	947

EXPENSES OF MAINTAINING ROAD, OR REAL ESTATE.

			Allotted to Passen- gers.	Allotted to Freight.
56... }	Repairs of road-bed and railway, excepting cost of iron; use and cost of Engines engaged in ballasting; also, renewal and repairs of Gravel and Stone Cars, and all items of cost connected with keeping the Road in order, due to Transportation.....	\$10,280 44	\$6,858 62	\$3,426 82
57.....	For depreciation of way.....	None.		
58.....	Length of Iron used in repairs.....	None.		
59.....	Repairs of Buildings.....	854 01	569 84	284 67
60.....	Repairs of Fences and Gates.....	888 78	259 14	129 59
61.....	Taxes on Real Estate (Right of Way only included) None.....			
62.....	Total expenses of maintaining road or real estate, for the year.....	\$11,528 18	\$7,682 10	\$3,841 08

63 EXPENSES OF MACHINERY, OR PERSONAL PROPERTY, OF THE COMPANY.

No. of Classes per R. R. Law.			Allotted to Passen- gers.	Allotted to Freight.
64.....	The repairs of Engines and Tenders.....	\$5,875 55	\$3,917 02	\$1,958 53
65.....	Depreciation of Engines and Tenders..... None			
66.....	Repairs of Passenger and Baggage Cars.....	1,440 88	1,440 88	
67.....	Depreciation of " " " "..... None			
68.....	Repairs of Freight Cars.....	1,622 55		1,622 55
69.....	Depreciation of Freight Cars..... None			
70.....	Repairs of Tools and Machinery.....	193 01	128 60	64 41
71.....	Incidental expenses, including fuel, oil, clerks and watchmen about shops.....	518 96	355 96	163 00
72.....	Total expenses of repairs of Machinery due to Pas- sengers and Freight.....	\$9,650 95	\$5,842 46	\$3,808 49

EXPENSES OF OPERATING THE ROAD.

73.....	Office expenses and stationery.....	\$ 348 65	\$ 301 00	\$ 47 65
74.....	Agents and Clerks.....	5,977 48	1,992 49	3,984 94
75.....	Labor, handling freight, loading and unloading...	3,626 64		3,626 64
76.....	Porters, Watchman, Switchman and Flagmen....	4,078 53	2,039 20	2,039 27
77.....	Wood and Water Station attendance.....	880 76	586 96	298 80
78.....	Conductors, Baggage man and Brakemen.....	4,488 44	2,244 22	2,244 22
79.....	Engineers and Firemen.....	9,327 11	6,218 06	3,109 05
80.....	Fuel consumed, first cost and preparation.....	6,834 58	4,556 38	2,278 20
81.....	Oil and Waste, for Engines and Tenders.....	910 01	630 00	280 01
82.....	Oil and Waste, for Freight Cars.....	178 66		178 66
83.....	Oil and Waste, for Passenger and Baggage Cars.	183 54	183 54	
84.....	Loss and damage of Goods and Baggage.....	183 09		183 09
85.....	Damages for Injury to Persons.....	24 00	24 00	
86.....	Damages to Property.....	82 00		82 00
87.....	General Superintendence.....	1,500 00	750 00	750 00
88.....	Contingencies, including Printing and Advertising	1,848 04	1,216 00	632 04
89.....	Total expenses of operating Road.....	\$40,371 48	\$20,691 91	\$19,679 57

90..... EARNINGS, AND CASH RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS.

91.....	Earnings, Cash Receipts and Bills Receivable,....	Passengers,	\$52,307 75	
92.....	Earnings, Cash Receipts and Bills Receivable,....	Freight,....	82,874 84	
93.....	Earnings, Cash Receipts and Bills Receivable,....	Other sources	1,332 89	
95.....	Cash Receipts during the year... From Freight,.....	\$31,401 74		\$86,515 48
96.....	Cash Receipts during the year... From Passengers,.	52,307 75		
97.....	Cash Receipts during the year... From oth'r sources	1,332 89	\$85,042 88	

PAYMENTS FOR TRANSPORTATION—SUMMARY.

98.....	Payments for Transportation Expenses,.....	Total...	\$61,545 61
99.....	Payments for Interest for Transportation,.....		48,360 00
100.....	Payments for Dividend on Stock,.....	None...	
101.....	Payments for Surplus Fund,.....	None...	

102.... NUMBER OF PERSONS INJURED IN LIFE AND LIMB.

CAUSE OF INJURY, AND WHETHER PASSENGERS OR EMPLOYEES.

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- January 26th.*—Freight Train, near Machine Shop, ran over and killed a man by the name of William Wills (a laborer). All signals of warning were given, but he remained on the track, probably bent on self destruction.
- February 21st.*—James Welsh (employee on Gravel Train), in passing from one car to another missed his footing, and, falling between the cars, was killed instantly.
- April 25th.*....—An Insane German Woman was thrown from the track, near Cheltenham, by the Locomotive, and slightly bruised.
- July 5th.*.....—Passenger Train, near Rock Spring, ran over a man (name unknown) and slightly injured him: since recovered.
- October 15th.*—Samuel Richards (Brakeman), at Franklin Station, in jumping upon a Freight Car, slipped, and broke his leg.

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES, TO DATE.—Continued.

Interest on Stock, paid in Stock.....	81,516 15	
Discount on Bonds, exclusive of State Bonds,.....	57,618 20	
Less Premium on State Bonds,.....	\$115,582 50	
	57,914 80	
Contingencies,.....	24,208 61	
Office Expenses and General Superintendence,.....	30,513 49	306,494 17
Total of Expenditures, exclusive of Transportation,.....		4,829,921 45
Summary of Transportation Payments:—		
Expenses,.....	61,545 61	
Interest,.....	48,360 00	
Total Expenditures, with Transportation Expenses for 1854,.....		109,905 61
Transportation Expenses for 1853,.....		4,489,827 06
		25,612 60
Full total of all Expenditures to date,.....		\$4,465,489 66

STATE OF MISSOURI, } SAMUEL COPP, Jr., Treasurer, and THOS. S. O'SULLIVAN, Superintendent of the Pacific Railroad, being duly
County of St. Louis, S. S. } sworn, depose and say, and each for himself says, that the foregoing statement is correct and true, according to the best of
his knowledge and belief. (Signed,)

SAMUEL COPP, JR., TREASURER.
THOS. S. O'SULLIVAN, ENG. & SUR'Y.

Sworn before me, this 19th day of December, 1854.
(Signed,) JOHN DECKER, JR., NOTARY PUBLIC.

ADDENDA.

In the foregoing Report is shown all the expenditures by the Pacific Railroad Company; so subdivided, that any desired information as to detail can be combined. The following results may be found:

1st.—Total expenditures for construction of first division, being from Saint Louis to Franklin.

For Road-bed, Track, Way Stations, proportion of Depot at terminus, proportion of Machine Shop, &c., as by last Annual Report, are—	}	\$1,466,455 10
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Expenditures during this year, are:—

For ballasting road (during construction the excavations only were partially ballasted,) for widening embank- ments, taking out slopes of embankments, work be- tween Fourteenth and Seventh streets, &c., and cover- ing bridges.....	}	\$61,667 89	137,418 33
Three miles of siding, &c., Track to Seventh street.....	}	32,100 00	
Depots and Buildings.....	}	13,091 59	
Fencing and protection by cattle guards,	}	30,558 85	
Total cost of Road-bed and Depots.....			\$1,603,873 34
Rolling Stock, due to first division.....			95,000 00
Proportion of expenses of General Office due to first division.....	}	\$25,000 00	71,000 00
Proportion of Interest on Bonds and Com- missions due to first division.....	}	46,000 00	
Full expenditure for first division, in running order...			\$1,769,874 34

The Road-bed is now fully ballasted for about three quar-
ters of its length, and the whole division completely fenced
and protected by cattle guards. A double track is now laid
to Ninth street, and a single track continuing to Seventh
street.

The whole receipts for August, September, October and November, in 1853, were.....	\$24,142 81
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The whole receipts for August, September, October and November, in 1854, were.....	85,338 06
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The division was opened for use in July, 1853.

The business on the road for the first year gives the following result:—

Receipts.....	\$82,042 38
Expenses of operating, including all repairs.....	61,545 61

Earnings over expenses.....	\$23,496 77
Interest paid, and to be paid, on Bonds used in the con- struction of the first division (being about one-half of cost,) for one year, ending November 30th.....	} 50,548 10

Leaving excess of interest.....	\$27,051 83
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The earnings (exclusive of interest) show a profit of about $1\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on total cost, or about 3 per cent. on bonded debt.

The expenses this year have been 73 per cent. of the gross earnings. The estimate of expenses from the experience of other roads, is generally fixed at 50 to 60 per cent.; but this data is assumed from the experience of other roads of greater length than the first division of Pacific Railroad—37 miles. The Freight Tariff is arranged, looking to the continuation of the road; and has been put as low as possible—too low to bear the cost of loading and unloading and general superintendence (the same of any length of road,) but for the expected continuation of the road. Meanwhile it was thought policy to increase business along the line, by adopting a Freight Tariff, such as might be continued; for this reason, and from the fact that a large proportion, as yet, of the freight is for wood, lumber, &c., that would not bear high charge for transportation, the per centage of total receipts is no criterion as to the propriety of the tariff of charges, or economy of management. The latter may be fairly tested by the cost of per mile run; although in that, allowance might be made for the shortness of the line, and the consequent large and proportionate cost of general management, and the lack of full available work for the engines, that would do nearly the same business on 50, instead of 37 miles.

The total cost per mile run is as follows:—

Motive Power.....	29c.	Passengers and Freight expenses,	
Repairs of Road.....	13c.	including Cars.....	31c.

Total cost per mile run.....73c.

All the accounts of the Company are summed up in the following Income and General Accounts:

INCOME ACCOUNT.		Debits.	Credits.
EXPENDITURES.			
To Transportation Expenses, 1853,.....		\$25,612 60	
To Transportation Expenses, 1854,.....		61,544 61	
Interest to July, 1854,.....		48,860 00	
RECEIPTS.			
By Passengers,.....1853 and '54.....			\$82,805 25
By Freight,.....1853 and '54.....			36,695 67
By Rents,.....			1,447 89
By Balance,.....carried down,.....			14,989 40
		\$135,518 21	\$135,518 21
To Balance brought down,.....Paid,.....		14,989 40	Carried to
NOTE.—There is due, January 1st, 1855, Interest chargeable } to Income Accounts, from July 1st, 1854 to November 30th, } close of Fiscal year, five months on Bonded Debt,.....		22,100 00	Gen. Ac't.
Balance against Income Account, when paid,.....		\$37,089 40	

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

DISBURSEMENTS.			
Balance of Income Account,..... <i>Paid</i> ,.....		\$14,989	40
First Division, including proportion of General Expenses, and Rolling Stock for same,.....		1,769,878	84
South-west Branch,.....		66,064	16
Iron Mountain Branch Surveys,.....		1,853	58
Real Estate,.....		179,563	77
Second and Third Division,—			
Engineering and Contractors' Accounts, &c.,	\$1,426,285	63	
Materials on hand (Rails principally),.....	550,446	23	
Rolling Stock,.....	100,840	58	
		2,077,072	44
Interest paid on Stock, in Stock,.....		81,516	16
Proportion of General Expenses, Interest, Commissions, and Discount on Bonds,.....		153,978	01
In hands of Treasurer, Bonds and Cash,.....		543,902	28
		\$4,888,813	11
RECEIPTS.			
"Missouri Bonds,".....		\$2,000,000	00
"Pacific Railroad Depot Bonds,".....		90,000	00
Pacific Railroad Anticipation Bonds,.....		348,000	00
Floating Debt, covering bills payable for Iron, due in September, October and Nov., 1855,.....		582,298	61
Forfeited Stock,.....		1,287	50
Land Sales and Rents,.....		1,024	50
Payments on Stock, in full,.....	1,014,000	00	
Payments on Stock, on Account,.....	852,202	50	1,866,202 50
			\$4,888,813 11

The estimate of cost of Road to Kansas, on present route, exclusive of interest and general expenses and survey made in January, 1851, after first survey, was about \$6,000,000.

For the same items it will probably cost near to \$9,000,000; but the estimate of business made at that time may be very largely increased—much more than in the proportion of estimate to cost.

It may be of some interest to compare this year's estimate with the actual receipts of this year:

The estimate of business for the third year, after the completion of the road to Kansas, was, in full—143,000 passengers, and 118,000 tons of freight. Of this, 89,000 passengers and 10,000 tons of freight was between stations West of first division, leaving the following result:—

Estimate made, 1851, of business over First Division of Pacific Railroad (St. Louis to Franklin, 37 miles), two years after completion of whole road to Kansas—300 miles.

	Passeng. No. of	Dollars.	Freight; Tons.	Dollars.	Total
Due to First Division,.....	13,700	\$5,860	13,700	\$4,900	\$11,760
From Kansas route,.....	69,300	68,476	64,300	64,500	127,976
From S. W. part of State,.....	21,000	21,000	80,000	23,820	53,820
	104,000	\$90,886	108,000	\$94,220	\$198,556

But a real comparison of estimate with result should look to the figures in the estimate that apply to the road as now built. For this purpose, it may be assumed that the first division now receives all the business estimated as from within (on the Kansas route) twenty miles of the present terminus, and all the business estimated as from the South-west part of the State, with one exception. The estimate was made before the South-west Branch was projected, and was on Inland route—being thirty-three miles on route of South-west Branch. This would pass into the mineral region, and cause, it was supposed, the iron and lead to be extensively worked out and brought to Saint Louis.

For this interest (iron and lead) alone was estimated at 27,000 tons of freight and 18,000 passengers. As this interest is not yet developed by the construction of any road to it, the estimate should be greatly reduced, at least, one-fifth. The result would be as follows:—

FIRST DIVISION.—*Estimate made in 1851 of Business over the First Division of Pacific Railroad (Saint Louis to Franklin, 37 miles), two years after construction.*

	Passengers, No. of.	Dollars.	Freight; Tons.	Dollars.	Total
Due to First Division,.....	23,700	\$5,860	18,700	\$5,900	\$11,760
From Kansas Route,.....	2,500	2,500	2,000	1,860	4,860
From South-west part of State,.....	3,800	3,800	8,000	2,760	6,560
From Iron and Lead on S. W. B.....	8,600	8,600	5,400	4,200	7,800
	33,600	\$15,760	24,100	\$14,720	\$30,480

This would show the following comparison of estimates and receipts:—

Estimate of business two years after completion of whole road to Kansas.

Number of passengers, 104,000; amount, \$90,336; Tons of Freight, 108,000; amount, \$94,232; Total, \$184,558.

Proportion of above estimate due to road as now completed:—

Number of passengers, 33,600; amount, \$15,760; Tons of Freight, 24,100; amount, \$14,720; total, \$30,480.

Actual receipts for year ending November 30, 1854, \$85,042 38.

It will be seen from the above, that the road now only in operation through the county, has, in the first year, done nearly one-half of the business estimated for it in the third year after completion of the whole road to Kansas, and has exceeded the largest allowance of estimate that can be applied to the road as now built, nearly 300 per cent.

If this result can fairly be applied to the whole road, the *net earnings*, over and above expenses, instead of being, as originally estimated, \$464,000, would be over \$1,200,000. This may not hold true to its full extent; but it may safely be stated that the real business of the road will much exceed the estimate—more than the actual cost of construction will above what was expected.

THOS. S. O'SULLIVAN,
Engineer and Superintendent.

REPORT
OF THE
INSPECTORS OF THE PENITENTIARY,
TO THE
EIGHTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

OFFICE OF INSPECTORS OF PENITENTIARY,
December 4, 1854. }

To the General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

The Board of Inspectors of the Missouri Penitentiary, respectfully submit the following Report, exhibiting a view of the government, discipline and transactions of the Institution, during the two preceding years.

The late lease of the Penitentiary having terminated on the twenty-second day of February, 1853, the Institution and its appurtenances, were then delivered to the Warden, appointed under the act to provide for the management of the Penitentiary, of February 16, of the same year. This act changed the organization of the Institution. For ten years, it had been under the management, control and superintendence of the late lessees. They were to pay for its use, into the Treasury of the State, the sum of fifty thousand dollars. A brief review of the manner in which this sum was adjusted, it is thought, will not be out of place.

The lease began on the fifteenth day of February, 1843. At the end of two years from this period, the lessees were to pay into the Treasury the sum of eight thousand dollars; at the end of four years, nine thousand dollars; at the end of six years, ten thousand dollars; at the end of eight years, eleven thousand dollars; and at the end of ten years, twelve thousand dollars, making a total of fifty thousand dollars, which the lessees were to pay into the Treasury for the use of the Penitentiary.

During the first year of the lease, the improvements and repairs made by the lessees, and charged to the State, amounted to \$4,999 51. The principal item of this charge, was for building a dining room, and raising the exterior walls, amounting to \$4,197 40. In August, 1845, the lessees paid into the Treasury \$4,000 00 in cash. This is the only sum of money paid into the Treasury on account of the lease. In February, 1853, a joint committee of the General Assembly, made a final settlement with the lessees. They, then, claimed a total credit of \$45,206 37, consisting of the following items:

Improvements and repairs,.....	\$30,406 71.
Clothing furnished discharged convicts,.....	3,568 00
Amount paid discharged convicts,.....	2,599 60
Expenses of catching escaped convicts,.....	2,492 66
Loss of lessees by fire, in 1849,.....	2,140 00
Cash paid into the Treasury, August, 1845,....	4,000 00

Total,..... \$45,206 37

Their entire indebtedness to the State was \$50,876 90, on account of rent and articles turned over to them, when they took possession of the prison. In their settlement with the committee, the following deductions from the credits of the lessees, were agreed upon:

Improvements and repairs,.....	\$422 95
Clothing furnished convicts,.....	1,568 00
Loss by fire in 1849,.....	1,070 00
Other charges,.....	421 95

Total deduction, \$3,482 90

These reductions reduced the total credit of the lessees to \$41,723 47, and left them, on final settlement, indebted to the State, \$9,153 43. This amount was to be paid by the lessees into the Treasury, less the amount of such purchases as might be made by the Factor or Warden of the Penitentiary, of the property and material on hand, belonging to the lessees. The property and materials thus purchased, amounted to \$21,192 98, leaving the State in debt to the lessees \$12,039 55, which they drew from the public Treasury.

From these statements, it will be observed, that the cash balance in favor of the State, on final settlement with the lessees, was \$13,153 43; consisting of the amount paid into the Treasury in 1845, and the balance on settlement with the committee in 1853, which would have been paid into the Treasury, in thirty days, had it not been for the purchases of property and materials of the lessees, which the immediate and absolute wants of the prison compelled the Warden and Factor to make. The permanent improvements made by the lessees, are, probably, worth twenty thousand dollars. If then, the purchases of property and materials from the lessees, could have been avoided, of the \$50,000 00 which they were to pay for the use of the Penitentiary ten years, the State would have realized about \$33,000 00, twenty thousand in permanent improvements, and thirteen thousand in cash, after keeping up repairs, and paying incidental expenses. But as these purchases were unavoidable, the cash balance against the State, upon the quitting of the lessees, was \$8,039 55. The State, then, during the ten years lease, expended \$8,039 55, in cash, and realized, in property, about \$41,000 00; twenty thousand in permanent improvements, and twenty-one thousand in property and materials purchased from the lessees, making a net income of about \$33,000 00, or something over three thousand dollars annually, in property.

The preceding statements may not be precisely accurate, but they are as near so as the means within the reach of the Board of Inspectors, will admit. Some allowance probably ought to be made for the high prices which the Warden and Factor were compelled to give for the property and materials purchased from the lessees. The lease terminated in the dead of winter. A large amount of the property and materials on hand, belonging to the lessees, was indispensably necessary to the Prison. Time and circumstances placed the Warden and Factor within the power of the lessees, and it is needless to say that they used it to the fullest extent.

To put the present system in operation, the General Assembly appropriated twenty-five thousand dollars, and permitted the Warden and

Factor to use the balance against the lessees on their settlement, in the purchase of property and materials from them. These amounts have been used by the Prison within the last two years; and in addition thereto, nineteen thousand dollars have been drawn from the Treasury, to pay the salaries of the officers of the Prison, and their subordinates, making an aggregate of fifty-three thousand dollars.

The first annual settlement made by the Board of Inspectors with the Factor, was in December, 1853, a little over nine months after the present system had gone into operation, and showed the following result:

ASSETS.

Stock on hand.....	\$41,091 09	
Outstanding debts due.....	6,088 51	
Cash on hand.....	735 35	\$47,909 95

LIABILITIES.

To the State of Missouri.....	\$28,732 68	
Due to individuals.....	11,326 26	\$40,058 94
		<hr/> \$7,851 01

This settlement showed a balance in favor of the State of \$7,851 01, exclusive of the salaries and pay of the officers and their subordinates, which amounted to about eight thousand dollars. Including these, the difference between the assets and liabilities of the prison was trifling, amounting to a few hundred dollars only. The balance, however, was against the State.

The last settlement made with the factor, during the present month, shows a result somewhat more favorable. It may be stated as follows:

ASSETS.

Cash on hand.....	\$1,995 35	
Debts due from individuals....	7,622 86	
Stock on hand.....	35,154 71	\$44,772 88

LIABILITIES.

Due the State of Missouri.....	\$11,767 88	
Due to individuals.....	10,282 80	\$22,050 18
		<hr/> \$22,722 70

This shows a balance in favor of the State of \$22,722 70, for the whole period of the present system; from which must be deducted the salaries of the officers of the prison, for the same period, amounting to \$19,604 59. This deduction leaves the true balance in favor of the State, for the whole period, \$3,718 11, or nearly two thousand dollars annually. It is proper, however, to observe that twenty-one thousand dollars of the stock on hand consists in improvements, eighteen thousand dollars of which are considered permanent. The chief permanent improvements are the new privy, new cells, dry kiln, and warehouse. They reflect credit upon the officers

under whose direction they were constructed. The new cells are those injured by the fire of last summer, and refitted. The loss to the State, on this account, was about five thousand dollars.

For an additional view of the government, discipline and transactions of the penitentiary, under the present system, the General Assembly is respectfully referred to the accompanying tables and reports.

The Board of Inspectors have thought it advisable, all things considered, to recommend the continuance of the present system two years longer. By the meeting of the next General Assembly it will have had time to develop itself more fully, and to test the efficiency experience may give to it. Above all, the railroad will then be completed, and, should the determination then be to lease out the prison, it will be in a much better condition to command the attention of capitalists.

Should the present system be continued, the Board of Inspectors earnestly recommend the extension of the walls of the prison. This subject was frequently presented to the General Assembly, during the late lease; it is more imperatively demanded now. While the same inconveniences existing then, exist now, there is a much greater disposable force to put upon such a work, resulting from the withdrawal from the prison of the machinery of the lessees. The convenience of the officers, the health of the convicts, and the pecuniary interest of the prison alike demand this improvement. It ought to be completed by the time the railroad is finished. This great facility to market will justify putting machinery within the walls, and manufacturing extensively. The present enclosure is too small for such a purpose. There is, it is thought, a sufficient quarry, almost at the base of the present enclosure; and the Warden will have a force of at least sixty hands, which he cannot so profitably employ at any thing else.

The Board of Inspectors also earnestly recommend that the Warden be permitted to work the convicts outside of the walls, under such regulations and restrictions as the Board of Inspectors may prescribe. The experience of the last two years has fully convinced the Board of the necessity of this change. It will enable the Warden, at all times, to employ, in the most profitable manner, his whole disposable force. It has often happened, within the experience of the present Board, that a large disposable force had to be locked up in their cells, or kept at work of little or no profit to the State. Such an evil ought to be promptly remedied, when labor is so well rewarded. The expenses of maintaining the convicts are heavy, and all reasonable means ought to be adopted to make the convicts pay them.

The attention of the General Assembly is also called to the salary of the Clerk of the prison. It is six hundred dollars only. It ought not, in the opinion of the Board, to be less than one thousand. It ought certainly to be sufficient to command the services of the most efficient. The office demands the undivided time of the incumbent; and it is hardly necessary to repeat that the present salary is not a sufficient remuneration. It bears no just proportion to the salaries of the Warden and Factor; and the Board express the hope that this defect in the law may be remedied.

The Board also recommend that the Penitentiary be thrown entirely upon its own resources from and after the first day of January, 1855. As the law now stands, the salaries of its officers and their subordinates are paid out of the State Treasury; it is proposed to make them payable by the Factor of the Penitentiary. This would create a separate penitentiary fund; and separate the Institution from the Treasury. The State has

expended fifty-three thousand dollars for its benefit ; and if it cannot now maintain itself, the system ought to be changed. This amendment would more certainly test its efficiency ; and if it fails, the prison then ought to be leased out. Such amendment would also, it is believed, operate as a wholesome stimulus to the officers of the Prison.

Should the present system be continued, the Board earnestly recommend a change in the appointing power. As the law now stands, the Warren, Factor, Clerk and Physician are appointed by the Governor. The experience of the Board has fully satisfied them, that these officers ought to be appointed by the Inspectors. The Governor, by law, has nothing to do with the Prison ; nor is it his duty to know anything of its government and discipline. He prescribes no discipline to be enforced, nor does he know how it is enforced. These are matters confided exclusively to the Inspectors. It is their duty to prescribe the discipline, and to know how it is enforced. They necessarily know what qualifications are required ; and they ought to have the power to bring such into the service of the State. They are, in a high degree, responsible for the government and discipline of the Prison, and they ought to have the means of enforcing it. As it is, they prescribe the discipline, but it is discretionary with the officers of the Prison whether it is enforced or not. If it is not, the Board is without an efficient remedy. It was not so, under the old system. The Inspectors were armed with authority to reach the lessees, if they failed to discharge any duty imposed upon them by law, or to enforce the discipline prescribed. The lease was subject to be forfeited, and the lessees dismissed. It is idle to arm the Inspectors with authority to prescribe discipline, and with none to enforce it. The dullest mind can foresee the result. The independent officers of the Prison will prescribe their own discipline, and enforce it as they please. The government of the Penitentiary, like all other governments, ought to have a controlling head, armed with authority to enforce its laws and discipline. If that head is to be the Governor, it ought to be made his duty to inquire into its government and discipline, and he ought to be held responsible for the result. The Inspectors cannot too earnestly urge this matter upon the attention of the General Assembly. It involves alike the government and discipline, and the financial affairs of the Institution.

JAMES B. GARDENHIRE,
A. W. MORRISON,
WM. H. BUFFINGTON.

PHYSICIAN'S REPORT.

To the Inspectors of the Missouri State Prison:

GENTLEMEN: In making my official report of the Medical Department of this Institution for the last two years, I propose laying before you, briefly, the general condition of the health, the character and nature of the most frequent disorders; the causes that have been mainly influential in producing those diseases, with such suggestions as I think may tend to lessen the amount of sickness, and at the same time give increased efficacy to the means employed by the physician for their alleviation.

Upon taking charge of the Institution, I found a large number of sick, which was maintained for sometime by daily accessions. This bad state of health was almost to be expected, from the miserable condition of the prison; which, however, speedily improved upon the removal of the nuisances of filth and dirt, and the general cleaning up that ensued.

The state of health from that time during the remainder of the year was very satisfactory; the small number of four, only, dying during the entire year. And of these, all, with one exception, were chronic cases; two of whom entered the prison as invalids, and at no time were able to perform duty. The fourth case was one of gun-shot wound, which eventually terminated in death.

It will thus be seen, that the sanitary condition of the prison for the year 1853, has been very satisfactory, and will compare favorably with any similar period in the history of the Institution, and indeed, I think with any Institution of the kind in the Union. The hospital has on some occasions exhibited a "clean bill of health," and with an average of more than two hundred prisoners, the small number above mentioned, only, have died. And these were chronic complaints of long standing, or were cases in which the previous habits of the patients had destroyed constitutional vigor, which placed their diseases beyond the reach of medical treatment. So small a bill of mortality is seldom met with, among so large a number of persons, even in the most favored situations of life; and when the previous habits of dissipation and sensuality, with the permanently impaired health and physical debility of many of the convicts are considered, so general an exemption from disease and death, will be deemed the more remarkable.

To the rigid system of cleanliness, carried out in every department of the prison, the regular hours of labor and repose allotted the men, the plain, but wholesome and substantial food, and to the promptness of the medical treatment in opposing the very beginnings of disease, I think we are indebted for this favorable result.

This year, however, I regret to state, the health has not been so favorable; the mortality being more than twice as great as during the preceding year.

To trace the sources of disease and ascertain the noxious influences that sweep off so many of our race to an untimely end, is to the medical observer, a work of peculiar interest, both in its investigation, and in its eminently practical results. To enumerate all the possible causes of disease, in such an Institution, would be an almost endless task. I shall, therefore, only endeavor to take a general view of those morbid agents, active and prolific in the work of death, which I believe capable of removal, or at least of great amelioration.

Prominent among these may be mentioned, first, the increased number of prisoners, and the consequent crowding of a number in the same cell. Of all predisposing causes of disease, in penal institutions, this is considered to be the most fruitful. That vitiated and impure air, when habitually breathed, acts as a most virulent poison, we have too many melancholy illustrations. If not in sufficient quantity to produce immediate disorder and poison the victim at once, it as certainly acts by gradually undermining the constitution, and leaving the system open to the infection of every disease and the inroad of every disorder. No vigilance or external cleanliness on the part of the officers, can counteract the pernicious effects of crowding too many living beings in a small and confined space. To remove the evil, there must be free ventilation; allowing unlimited access for fresh air, and an escape for the contaminated atmosphere of the cell. This evil is greatly increased, when those who are already sick are so confined. Effete matter is then more abundantly thrown off from the system; the atmosphere of the cell more speedily becomes unfit for respiration, and its deliterious effects are soon witnessed upon the unfortunate inmates in the aggravation of all their disorders.

By reference to the table appended to this report, it will be seen that a very small proportion of the sick, this year, have been treated in the hospital. Although this fact and the larger bill of mortality for this year, may not stand in the direct relation of cause and effect, I must think it has had its influence; and, if practicable, the evil should be remedied. It would not only be more in accordance with the dictates of humanity, the suggestions of reason, and the welfare of the prisoner, but would, in my opinion, be to the interests of the Institution, and materially lessen the labors of the physician and attendants. In the hospital, the sick can receive all the attention necessary to the reception of their medicine and requisite diet; and being constantly under surveillance, they are prevented from committing many imprudent acts, they otherwise would; and those impostors attempting to impose themselves upon the physician, with their feigned diseases, would be more readily and certainly detected, and remanded to duty.

Important as it is to have suitable places and apartments for the sick, scarcely less requisite is a proper regimen. The prescribing and administering of medicine is not the whole duty of the physician; the more important part often consists in carefully watching the progress of disease, and giving to his patient a diet suited to his improved or weakened state of health; one easily assimilated by the organs of nutrition, during the often protracted period of convalescence. The want of the above provision has been seriously felt during the past year, and its adoption would

be attended with little or no additional cost; it being obvious to all, that the sooner the sick are restored to health and remanded to work, the less will be the expense incident to their illness.

Here another important question presents itself, viz.: the propriety of admitting or denying a prisoner, at all times, free access to the physician. Whenever a convict reports himself sick, he should be allowed, and not denied that privilege, until the disease has made a manifest impression upon him. If he has to obtain the consent of his keeper before he can apply for medical aid, there is no access to the hospital until he is propitious. His whims, his prejudices, his ill-humors, his indifference, his caprices, and his ignorance, all array themselves against the sufferer, and no overseer should have the power of deciding, in the first instance, whether the convict needs medical advice. We do not recognize their attainments in medical science sufficient to the task, nor have their notions of pathology and ours been usually acquired in the same schools.

This judicious and humane plan, if adopted and carried out, would save much time and suffering to the prisoner, lessen the anxieties and cares of the physician, and the timely relief afforded by some simple medication, suitable diet, and temporary mitigation of labor, would, in the large majority of cases, prevent protracted and dangerous illness, and thus materially diminish the amount of sickness and mortality of the Institution.

Another evil that has existed during the past year, is the practice of putting those on the sick list to work, before, in the estimation of the physician they are competent to perform duty. It is fair to presume that he will wish to get rid of the labor of attending them, when he thinks they no longer need his attention; and will send them to duty, so soon as he thinks they can safely perform it. The physician should have the exclusive care of the sanitary condition of the prison, both physical and mental; and his directions should be final, provided they are not contrary to law, nor inconsistent with the safe custody of the prisoners. But I have to regret, that I have not had that control of the men on the sick list, necessary for the recovery and preservation of their health; and too often my directions have been mere nullities. The aim and purpose of the physician is directed to the double object of diminishing the amount of sickness, and reducing the ratio of mortality. To this end he often prescribes more exercise, or rest, change of occupation, a better diet, and more regard to the habits and constitution of the individual. This may interfere with the favorite scheme of the officers, of making the prison pay well, and of getting all the work possible out of the prisoners; and then commences in earnest, the game of cross purposes. The physician, if he is like most men, will have his ardor abated, and his motives to exertion weakened, as his plans are thwarted; and will console himself with the conviction, that whatever degree of mortality the biennial reports may show, it must not be put to his account.

Under the present arrangement the physician receives the sick report from a prisoner detailed for that purpose, and what is of more consequence has to rely entirely upon the same source, for the proper administration of his remedies, and the carrying out his orders. This has been the cause of much uncertainty and irregularity. However great may be the confidence I repose in the capacity and correctness of intentions of the person at present employed, it requires a larger amount of

liberty and more authority than can be safely confided to a prisoner. If it is thought inadvisable to employ a responsible person for that duty, and the present plan be continued, I would suggest that some officer of the Institution accompany the physician in the round of his daily examination, whose business it be, to see that those marked for duty are sent to work, and to those retained on the sick list, that the prescriptions and requirements of the physician are enforced.

The diseases with which we have had most frequently to contend, during the year, besides those incident to the climate, have been of that character induced by the evils already mentioned—principally affections of the alimentary canal and pulmonary disorders. Besides these, we had a visitation during the past season of epidemic cholera, which prevailed for sometime with considerable violence, though its prevalence was, in my opinion, induced by local causes, as it soon disappeared upon their removal. Then again, later in the season, from the scarcity of vegetables, and the use of salted meats, the scurvy made its appearance among the men. It was, however, of a mild form, and soon disappeared upon a change of regimen, and a mild anti-scorbutic treatment.

I am happy to have only one case of insanity to report at this time, which is of some years' standing, and which is so confirmed as to admit of little or no hope of cure. I can see no difference in his condition now, from what it was when I took charge of the Institution; and although I know you must be aware of his condition, I still feel it my duty to remind you of his sad and deplorable fate, and if possible to have him removed to the State Lunatic Asylum. Three new cases have occurred within the last two years, one of which was pardoned and the other two have been entirely restored to their usual state of sanity.

At no time during the period for which this report is made, have we been favored with better health, than at present. There being but few prisoners unable to perform duty, and the most of these were sick upon their admission. The frequent occurrence of such cases has become a great evil, and one that should be pointed out. They are often afflicted with curable diseases, which have been neglected, and which the most ordinary medical skill, if timely administered, would have quickly removed. Their persons too, are excessively filthy, and often reeking with loathsome diseases. Such things reflect anything but favorably upon those having management of our county, jails while they materially increase the labors of the prison physician and swell the bills of mortality.

Appended to this report is a table, giving a monthly aggregate of the number of sick, the number of those in hospital and the disease and deaths for each month.

With thanks for the confidence reposed in me, and gratitude for the kindness with which I have been sustained in the duties of my department, I am, very respectfully,

W. A. CURREY, M. D.,
Physician Missouri Penitentiary.

TABLE No. 1.

From 23d February, 1853, to 31st December, 1854.	No. applicants for medical treatment per month.	No. patients in Hos- pital per month.
1853.		
February, (seven days).....	96	24
March.....	472	94
April.....	250	70
May.....	260	75
June.....	200	50
July.....	260	64
August.....	270	66
September.....	242	54
October.....	198	58
November.....	125	31
December.....	150	48
1854.		
January.....	106	32
February.....	98	26
March.....	250	40
April.....	200	30
May.....	244	36
June.....	261	64
July.....	273	56
August.....	270	90
September.....	296	54
October.....	267	49
November.....	204	42
December.....	180	35

TABLE No. 2.

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF DEATHS FOR 1853 AND '54.

NAMES.	DISEASE.	TIME OF DEATH.
1853.		
Quinn, - - - - -	Phthisis pulmonalis.	June 2d.
Amhardt, - - - - -	Chronic enteritis.	August 2d.
Williams, - - - - -	Gun-shot wound.	September 20th.
Hagan, - - - - -	Phthisis pulmonalis.	December 30th.
1854.		
Johnson, - - - - -	Cholera asphyxia.	May 6th.
Martin, - - - - -	Do.	May 7th.
Jones, - - - - -	Do.	May 11th.
Anderson, - - - - -	Do.	July 5th.
Silvers, - - - - -	Supposed dis. of heart.	July 9th.
Zeigler, - - - - -	Chronic enteritis.	August 26th.
Poe, - - - - -	Dysentery.	September 9th.
Closey, - - - - -	Typhoid fever.	October 22d.
Carpenter, - - - - -	Do.	November 7th.

WARDEN'S REPORT.

WARDEN'S OFFICE, MISSOURI PENITENTIARY, }
December 4th, 1854.

Inspectors Missouri Penitentiary:

GENTLEMEN: Referring you to the reports of the Factor, Physician, and Chaplain, for the condition of the prison in their respective departments, I herewith submit a report showing the number of convicts at present in the Penitentiary, their names, age, nativity, the counties from which they were sent, the offence, and when they were received into the prison, the number of escapes and pardons, the number received and discharged for the last two years.

When I entered the walls of the prison for the first time, I was astonished at the filthy appearance of every thing I beheld. One part of the yard had the appearance of having been used for a common slaughter pen, and in another part the most disgusting filth had accumulated until it was exceedingly uncomfortable to be in that vicinity. The prisoners were dirty and poorly clad. The bedding was very filthy and insufficient for the season, while the cells were more like kennels than sleeping apartments for human beings.

My first duty was to thoroughly cleanse the whole concern, which required the work of forty hands for six weeks. The improvements which have been made by your order have been set forth in detail, in the accounts of the Factor, against the State of Missouri, and I need only refer you to them for full and accurate information.

Sufficient room within the walls is the *great necessity* of the Institution. In fact the number of convicts now here cannot be profitably employed within the walls. When the season will allow them to be worked outside, they can be employed to advantage, but in winter it is impossible to find work for them all. The buildings, except the new cells, which have been thoroughly repaired since the fire, are in a dilapidated and wasting condition. It has required constant repairing to make them fit for use, and much more might have been done if the buildings had been worth it. The material in the old buildings would go far towards erecting new, and more suitable ones. The machinery too, has required constant repair, and although it is as good to day as when the State bought it, still it is very indifferent.

When I entered on the duties of my office I determined to rule by gentle means as much as possible. With a large majority of the con-

victs this course has been sufficient to produce a prompt and cheerful obedience to all command. Some, however, have required a severer discipline, and I have not hesitated to use the lash when gentle means have failed to maintain a proper subordination. I have kept no accurate account of the names or number of convicts who have been punished, or the offence for which they were punished. I can assure you that the lash has been used only when there was an absolute necessity for it. The prisoners have been kindly treated by the officers, and in no single instance, so far as I know, has one ever been abused. Their clothing is of coarse substantial material, adapted to the season. They are well fed on coarse but wholesome food; beef, bacon, molasses, and vegetables, when they can be obtained.

I would suggest the necessity of a law to remove insane persons and idiots from the penitentiary. The law makes them incapable of committing offences, and the same law ought to make them incapable of enduring its penalties.

The law should be made more severe in relation to escapes from the custody of the guards outside the walls. The practice heretofore has been, if it be not really the law, that no penalty attaches to convicts who escape from outside the walls. The prisoners understand this well, and are thereby emboldened to make the attempt at every favorable opportunity. I regret to report so large a list of escapes, but I am free to say that they have not been occasioned by negligence. A large number of foreigners have been at work on the railroad in the vicinity of the prison, and they have done every thing in their power to instigate and aid convicts to escape. We know that nearly all who have escaped have been secreted by them, and furnished citizens dress. I and the other officers have often recommended prisoners who have been faithful and obedient, to Executive clemency for a few weeks or months of their time, and I think the hope of such favor has a great influence on the conduct of many of the convicts, many of them seem very anxious to be restored to citizenship, and the fact that their applications can only be made through officers, I have no doubt, induces many of them to extraordinary application to their work and general good behavior.

Gentlemen, I return you my thanks for your uniform kindness and ready co-operation in all my efforts here.

Respectfully

JAMES COCHRAN, *Warden.*

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT.

MAJ. JAMES COCHRAN, *Warden of Mo. State Prison:*

SIR: I beg leave to submit to you my report, as late Chaplain to the Penitentiary. My term of service embraced a period of two years, ending in the month of October last; having first held the office under commission from the Hon., the Board of Inspectors, and subsequently, on the change of the law regulating the Prison, by appointment from yourself.

I endeavored to discharge the duties of the office, by preaching on the Sabbath in the afternoon, and by other pastoral labor, so far as my opportunity extended. This, however, you are aware was limited; having had at the same time, the charge of a church in the city, which had the first claim upon my time and attention. It was known at the time the office was conferred upon me, that I was under such prior obligations, and indeed, I presume in its creation, it was in the contemplation of the Legislature that it would be filled by some one of the Ministers resident in the city. It is to be regretted, in my opinion, that provision has not been made by the allowance of an adequate salary to secure the whole time and services of the Chaplain; otherwise there must necessarily be failure to accomplish effectually and extensively the valuable objects intended by and under favorable circumstances, within the compass of a Ministry of the Gospel, to the unfortunate class of our fellow-men immured in the prison. During the course of my labors, several feasible plans for their moral improvement suggested themselves, which other paramount engagements did not allow me to execute, and for the same reason, many opportunities of usefulness were suffered to pass by, in which ministerial care and attention would probably have resulted most beneficially. I know not with what propriety I may offer recommendations on this subject; but I venture to say, that, if the attention of the Legislature were directed to it closely and seriously, many considerations would be found to justify more adequate provision than now exists, for their religious instruction and benefit; and in the hope that it may be made, I take occasion to join the expression of my own convictions of its propriety and necessity to the declared opinions to the same effect of my predecessors in office.

It is expected that my report shall contain allusion to the success of my labors, which I make with some degree of embarrassment. Permit me to say, however, that I entered upon the duties of the office cheerfully, believing it to be an eminent field of usefulness, and hopefully, having full confidence in the remedial virtues of the Gospel to accomplish the redemption of human character, even in its deepest degradation; and for in reviewing my ministerial labors, I am happy to say that I recur to

many encouraging confirmations of those convictions and expectations, and am persuaded that the efforts bestowed have not been altogether unavailing. Of the general benefits of the Gospel in improving the tone of moral sentiment, and promoting order and discipline among the prisoners, you are better prepared to decide than I am; but I mention, as an interesting fact which has been the subject of frequent conversation between us, that many of them exhibit a character and principles wholly diverse from what they must formerly have possessed, on the supposition of their guilt of the crimes imputed to them, and whom you find, far more than others, industrious, tractable and otherwise observant of the rules of the prison. In my private intercourse with them, I found a considerable number who make a profession of religion. In the case of some, there is reason to believe that it is hypocritical; but in that of others, after careful inquiry and observation, I became convinced that it was real and sincere. In sickness, some have "besought the Lord," and others in prospect of death, and in a dying hour have appeared to be sustained by the comforts and hopes of the Gospel. These visible and more immediate and positive results, however, it is to be hoped do not form the entire measure of good effected. I am inclined to think, and this I believe is your own opinion, that there are others who are equally with those above alluded to, the subjects of true religious concern and genuine reformation, but who make no public avowal of it, from the fact that such professions, under the circumstances, are regarded with suspicion, and expose those who make them, as I am informed, to a series of annoyances and persecutions from the more abandoned of the prisoners, which can scarcely be prevented. I may also remark, that it was ascertained last summer by particular inquiry among all the prisoners, that a very large majority have not enjoyed the advantage of early religious instruction and training, and from their habits of life it is reasonable to suppose that many of them continued ignorant to a great extent of the doctrines and duties of religion. If these have become instructed in the principles and precepts of the Gospel, an important benefit will have been conferred. After all, much of the good effected by this Chaplaincy, will lie in the future; and I earnestly hope, that in the case of none has the preaching of the Gospel been wholly fruitless; but that its good results, like bread cast upon the waters, will be seen and gathered many days hence. They were always respectful and in an unusual degree attentive to the preaching of the truth as it is in Jesus; and though so many have practically disregarded it, yet it has not been forgotten, and will, I trust, under more favorable circumstances, "bring forth fruit unto holiness."

I must not close my report without acknowledging my grateful sense of the confidence reposed in me by yourself and the Hon. Inspectors, in my appointment to this responsible post; and of the interest you invariably manifested in the success of my labors. Unless providentially hindered, you were always present with us during religious worship; and I now remember only two instances in which, when in the city, you were absent. Permit me, also, through you, to thank the other officers and persons connected with the prison during my term of service, for their uniform politeness and kind attention.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

LEXINGTON, Dec., 1854.

THOMAS M. FINNEY.

TABLE (A)

LIST OF THE CONVICTS remaining in the Missouri Penitentiary; their age, place of nativity, county from which they were sent, the offence, terms, when received, and occupation, December 4th, 1854.

NAMES	Age.	NATIVITY.	COUNTIES.	OFFENCE.	SEN- TENCE.	WHEN REC'D.	OCCUPATION.
Allen, Charles	23	England	St. Louis	Grand Larceny	4	Jan. 15, 1854	Blacksmith.
Arkwright, John	24	do	do	do	2	June 5, 1854	do
Allrup, John	33	Tennessee	Crawford	Burglary and larceny	7	July 20, 1854	Laborer.
Besumaster, E.	30	Germany	St. Louis	Murder in the 2d degree	20	Oct. 12, 1848	do
Burnes, James	18	England	do	Robbery	10	Sept. 20, 1849	Wagon-maker.
Bray, Jack	35	New Zealand	do	do	10	do 20, 1850	Laborer.
Barnard, Harvey	30	Vermont	do	Having counterfeit money in his possession	8	June 20, 1851	Carpenter.
Britt, Frederick	45	France	Buchanan	Grand larceny	4	Jan. 20, 1852	Blacksmith.
Brown, James	23	Ireland	St. Louis	Forgery in the 2d degree	7	March 18, 1852	Cooper.
Burt, Thomas	41	New York	do	do	7	April 16, 1852	Tailor.
Blackburn, John	35	England	do	Burglary and larceny	7	June 14, 1852	Coopershop
Brown, Michael	26	Ireland	do	Grand larceny	4	June 14, 1852	Laborer.
Beck, William	52	Ohio	do	do	2	Jan. 8, 1852	do
Barton, Ivers	39	Massachusetts	Pike	do	2	Dec. 15, 1853	Coopershop.
Bash, James	27	Louisiana	St. Louis	do	2	Feb'y 28, 1854	Laborer.
Brennan, Patrick	29	Ireland	do	do	2	Feb'y 28, 1854	Cooper.
Brews, John	24	Negro	do	Assault with intent to kill	7	June 5, 1854	do
Burt, H. R.	25	England	do	Larceny and embezzlement	2	June 5, 1854	Coopershop
Buckley, George	27	Canada	do	Grand larceny	2	July 27, 1854	Fireman.
Boler, William	21	Tennessee	do	Assault with intent to kill	10	Oct. 5, 1854	Coopershop.
Clardy, William	49	North Carolina	Hickory	Murder	10	Sept. 5, 1854	do
Clemens, Wm.	21	Missouri	Shannon	Murder in the 1st degree	Life	Nov. 1, 1849	do
Clark, Henry	20	Kentucky	Marion	Burglary and larceny	5	March 27, 1850	Cooper.
Conley, F.	26	Maryland	St. Louis	do	8	Sept. 2, 1850	Blacksmith.
Cartor, Champ L.	25	Missouri	do	do	4	March 18, 1851	Wagon-maker.
Craig, James	48	Ireland	do	Robbery	10	May 17, 1852	Cooper.
Cole, Thomas	35	Kentucky	do	Burglary and larceny	7	June 14, 1852	Coopershop.
Cantwell, John	37	Ireland	do	Murder	40	Jan. 8, 1853	do
Calhoun, William	18	do	do	Grand larceny	2	June 16, 1853	Cooper.

TABLE (A)—Continued.

NAMES.	AGE.	NATIVITY.	COUNTIES.	OFFENCE.	SEN- TENCE.	WHEN REC'D.	OCCUPATION.
Craneagan, B.....	35	Ireland.....	St. Louis.....	Grand larceny.....	2	Aug. 6, 1858	Cooper.
Curry, Wm.....	28	Virginia.....	do.....	Robbery.....	10	Aug. 6, 1858	Wagon-maker.
Coltuster, John.....	69	Kentucky.....	Buchanan.....	Grand larceny.....	2	Oct. 18, 1858	Coopershop.
Cullen, Dan'l.....	40	Ireland.....	St. Louis.....	Murder in the 2d degree.....	99	Dec. 22, 1858	Cooper.
Callahan, Jeremiah.....	22	do.....	do.....	Grand larceny.....	2	Dec. 28, 1858	do
Cochran, George.....	23	Ohio.....	do.....	do do.....	2	Jan. 8, 1854	do
Conner, Michael.....	27	Ireland.....	do.....	Murder in the 1st degree.....	20	April 14, 1854	Coopershop.
Cogan, Michael.....	26	do.....	do.....	Grand larceny.....	2	June 2, 1854	do
Clark, Henry.....	19	Massachusetts.....	do.....	do do.....	8	June 5, 1854	Laborer.
Connell, Dennis.....	20	Ireland.....	Franklin.....	do do.....	2	July 1, 1854	Cooper.
Cook, Alex.....	20	Scotland.....	Crawford.....	do do.....	8	Nov. 25, 1854	Laborer.
Duncan, Mary A.....	19	Negro.....	St. Louis.....	Arson.....	5	Sept. 2, 1850	do
Dallen, H.....	24	Pennsylvania.....	do.....	Assault with intent to kill.....	8	Jan. 8, 1858	do
Dillen, Berama.....	19	New York.....	do.....	Grand larceny.....	2	Feb'y 28, 1854	Cooper.
Devlaney, Peter.....	25	Ohio.....	do.....	do do.....	2	June 5, 1854	do
Dorr, Philip.....	29	Germany.....	do.....	do do.....	2	June 5, 1854	Laborer.
Derselman, Wm.....	21	do.....	Lafayette.....	do do.....	2	Nov. 30, 1854	Tailor.
Elliot, Patrick.....	28	Ireland.....	St. Louis.....	Assault with intent to kill.....	10	May 9, 1850	Laborer.
Ewing, James.....	22	Pennsylvania.....	do.....	Grand larceny.....	6	Feb'y 22, 1852	Cooper.
Eich, Francis.....	24	Germany.....	do.....	do do.....	6	Feb'y 27, 1854	Coopershop.
Ellison, William.....	40	New York.....	Lewis.....	do do.....	2	Oct. 7, 1854	Laborer.
Francis, George.....	28	D. C.....	Jefferson.....	Robbery.....	16½	Nov. 26, 1841	do
Flourish, John.....	52	Germany.....	Clay.....	Murder in the 2d degree.....	24	Nov. 8, 1852	Coopershop.
Fowler, E. J.....	21	New York.....	Jefferson.....	Robbery.....	25	Dec. 8, 1851	Machinist.
Finn, Dan'l.....	22	England.....	St. Louis.....	Grand larceny.....	4	Oct. 12, 1852	Blacksmith.
Fanning, Jas.....	80	Tennessee.....	Ray.....	do do.....	8	Oct. 23, 1853	do
Fenton, John.....	33	New York.....	St. Louis.....	do do.....	2	Jan. 9, 1854	Laborer.
Fisher, Stephen.....	35	Pennsylvania.....	do.....	Burglary and larceny.....	9	Jan. 16, 1854	Coopershop.
Forster, Joseph.....	30	Virginia.....	Jackson.....	Grand larceny.....	2	Jan. 28, 1854	Laborer.
Forbet, Charles.....	20	Kentucky.....	Saline.....	do do.....	2	May 15, 1854	Cooper.
Ferguson, Jno. H.....	28	Ohio.....	Chariton.....	do do.....	2	Sept. 28, 1854	Laborer.
Glover, James.....	26	Tennessee.....	Ozark.....	Burglary and larceny.....	10	Feb'y 11, 1850	Cooper.
Glegham, John.....	29	Germany.....	Franklin.....	Forgery.....	2	Dec. 19, 1852	Tailor.

Granneth, Joe.....	Italy.....	St. Louis.....	Burglary and larceny.....	7	Oct. 27, 1861	Cooper.
Gillespie, Jas. E.....	Kentucky.....	Lafayette.....	Murder.....	40	Jan. 16, 1868	Laborer.
Gutch, Charles.....	Germany.....	St. Louis.....	Receiving stolen goods.....	2	June 16, 1868	do
Geo, G. R.....	Missouri.....	St. Louis.....	Grand larceny.....	2	July 4, 1868	Cooper.
Gibson, John.....	Tennessee.....	Cape Girardeau ..	Murder.....	6	Dec. 26, 1868	Laborer.
Graham, F.....	France.....	St. Louis.....	Forgery.....	7	Feb'y 28, 1864	do
Green, Thos.....	Ireland.....	do.....	Grand larceny.....	7	June 5, 1864	do
Gilmartin, M.....	New York.....	do.....	do do.....	2	Aug. 21, 1864	do
Gobert, Jacobs.....	Hungary.....	Cole.....	do do.....	2	Aug. 25, 1864	do
Grotmier, Wm.....	Germany.....	St. Louis.....	do do.....	2	Oct. 6, 1864	Cooper.
Garner, John.....	Tennessee.....	Polk.....	do do.....	2	Oct. 26, 1864	Sawyer.
Hand, Jas.....	S. Carolina.....	St. Louis.....	Forgery in the 2d degree.....	7	June 20, 1861	Coopershop.
Hammock, Andrew.....	Kentucky.....	do.....	Incest.....	7	Feb'y 22, 1862	Cooper.
Hughes, Henry.....	Ireland.....	do.....	Grand larceny.....	7	Feb'y 28, 1864	do
Hagan, Henry.....	Germany.....	do.....	Burglary and larceny.....	7	June 16, 1868	Waiter.
Hickam, Sam'l.....	Indiana.....	Jefferson.....	do do.....	2	Dec. 17, 1868	Cooper.
Hunter, Thomas.....	New York.....	St. Louis.....	Grand larceny.....	2	Dec. 22, 1868	do
Hanna, S. B.....	Kentucky.....	do.....	Forgery.....	7	Feb'y 28, 1864	Carpenter.
Hill, John.....	Ireland.....	Cooper.....	Grand larceny.....	8	March 28, 1864	Coopershop.
Hammock, Joshua.....	Kentucky.....	Franklin.....	do do.....	2	April 19, 1864	Laborer.
Harrison, Richard.....	Ohio.....	St. Louis.....	Murder in the 2d degree.....	7	June 5, 1864	Cooper.
Jessup, Jas.....	Ireland.....	do.....	Grand larceny.....	2	Aug. 6, 1868	do
Jones, Jos.....	Tennessee.....	Pulaski.....	do do.....	2	Nov. 14, 1868	Laborer.
Johnson, John.....	Ireland.....	St. Louis.....	do do.....	2	Dec. 22, 1868	do
Johnson, Francis.....	Italy.....	do.....	do do.....	6	Feb'y 28, 1864	Coopershop.
Jones, Jas.....	Ohio.....	do.....	do do.....	2	Feb'y 28, 1864	Shoemaker.
Johnson, Mary A.....	Negro.....	do.....	Murder.....	2	July 27, 1864	Laborer.
Johnson, Wm.....	Pennsylvania.....	Montgomery.....	Grand larceny.....	2	Sept. 28, 1864	Coopershop.
Ives, David.....	Kentucky.....	Warren.....	Murder.....	15	Oct. 7, 1864	Laborer.
Kerbin, John.....	Ireland.....	Clay.....	do.....	2	Oct. 31, 1864	do
Kearney, John.....	England.....	Ray.....	Robbery.....	25	June 26, 1841	Coopershop.
Kelley, John.....	Ireland.....	St. Louis.....	Burglary and larceny.....	7	June 20, 1861	Wagon-maker.
Keller, Wm.....	New York.....	do.....	Mandaughter in the 8d degree.....	8	April 16, 1862	Blacksmith.
Kretchmire, H.....	Germany.....	do.....	Grand larceny.....	7	April 16, 1862	Coopershop.
King, Robert.....	do.....	do.....	Assault with intent to kill.....	2	Aug. 16, 1868	Laborer.
Keller, Peter.....	do.....	do.....	Grand larceny.....	2	Jan. 15, 1864	do
Kennedy, Patrick.....	Maryland.....	do.....	do do.....	2	June 5, 1864	Blacksmith.
Kearney, Terrence.....	Ireland.....	do.....	do do.....	2	July 27, 1864	Cooper.
Lovejoy, John.....	Ohio.....	do.....	Robbery.....	2	Oct. 5, 1864	do
			Forgery in the 4th degree.....	10	Aug. 11, 1861	Painter.

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NAMES.	AGE.	NATIVITY.	COUNTIES.	OFFENCE.	SEN- TENCE.	WHEN REC'D.	OCCUPATION.
Livett, Wm. H.	19	Canada.....	St. Louis.....	Burglary and larceny	8	March 18, 1852	Coopershop.
Lintz, A. A.	22	Germany	do.....	Grand larceny	2	Dec. 28, 1853	Laborer.
Langen, Wm.	24	Ohio.....	do.....	do do.....	2	Dec. 28, 1853	Coopershop.
Lane, Thos. J.	28	Vermont	Clinton	do do.....	4	Feb'y 28, 1854	Carpenter.
Langston, Wm.	54	Kentucky	do.....	Murder	20	Oct. 28, 1854	Laborer.
Marsh, Chas.	30	Maryland	St. Louis.....	Robbery.....	10	Feb'y 1, 1856	Coopershop.
McGrath, Michael.	26	Ireland.....	do.....	do.....	10	May 10, 1849	Laborer.
Metzer, Nicholas.	19	Germany	do.....	Murder in the 2d degree	99	May 30, 1850	Cooper.
Marshall, Wm.	23	New York	do.....	Grand larceny	5	Nov. 16, 1849	Laborer.
Miller, Charles.	39	Poland.....	do.....	do do.....	7	Nov. 16, 1849	Blacksmith
McDonald, Jno.	39	Scotland.....	Howard	Burglary and larceny	7	Jan. 6, 1850	Coopershop.
Morris, J. B.	43	Kentucky	St. Louis.....	Abduction.....	5	July 4, 1850	Cooper.
Mix, Wm.	35	New York	do.....	Forgery in the 2d degree	10	Feb'y 22, 1852	do
Moren, Lawrence.	23	Ireland.....	do.....	Grand larceny	8	Feb'y 22, 1852	Laborer.
Marshall, Jas.	22	Tennessee	do.....	do do.....	8	March 12, 1852	do
Murphy, E.	56	Virginia	Davis	Murder in the 2d degree	10	April 22, 1852	do
Miller, Andrew.	82	Germany	St. Louis.....	Grand larceny	6	June 14, 1852	Wagon-maker.
Mackero, M.	20	Ireland.....	do.....	do.....	6	Oct. 30, 1852	Laborer.
McCann, John.	39	Kentucky	Ray	Receiving stolen property.....	2	July 4, 1853	Coopershop.
Mix, Wm.	35	Pennsylvania.....	St. Louis.....	Grand larceny.....	2	Sept. 23, 1853	Washer.
Morris, Jesse.	29	Ohio.....	St. Charles.....	Larceny of a slave.....	7	Nov. 6, 1853	Coopershop.
Martin, Jas. R.	24	Missouri.....	Washington	Burglary.....	2	Nov. 12, 1853	Cooper.
McGune, P.	27	Ireland.....	St. Louis	Grand larceny	2	Dec. 23, 1853	Laborer.
McGrath, Emily.	22	Indiana	do.....	do do.....	2	Jan. 8, 1854	do
McIntire, John.	25	Ireland.....	do.....	Attempt to rob.....	2	Jan. 8, 1854	Cooper.
McKinney, Ed.	30	do.....	do.....	Grand larceny	4	Jan. 9, 1854	Coopershop.
Moss, Francis.	40	Pennsylvania.....	do.....	do do.....	3	Feb'y 28, 1854	Laborer.
McNair, H.	29	Canada.....	Cooper	Decoying slaves.....	6	March 28, 1854	Coopershop.
McElroy, John.	45	Ireland.....	St. Louis.....	Grand larceny	2	March 31, 1854	do
Meyer, Chas.	17	Texas	do.....	do do.....	2	June 5, 1854	Laborer.
McLain, H.	40	Germany.....	do.....	do do.....	2	Oct. 5, 1854	Coopershop.
		Ireland.....	Saline.....	Robbery.....	10	Nov. 15, 1854	do

27	Germany	St. Louis	Grand larceny	June 14, 1852	Laborer.
63	do	Cole	do	Aug. 24, 1853	Coopershop.
46	Kentucky	Franklin	do	Dec. 26, 1853	Engineer.
25	Negro	St. Louis	Attempt to steal	June 5, 1854	Laborer.
28	Ireland	do	Grand larceny	Jan. 9, 1854	Laborer.
18	do	do	Grand larceny	June 5, 1854	Laborer.
21	Tennessee	Cape Girardeau	Arson	do 13, 1854	Wagon-maker.
36	Vermont	St. Louis	Grand larceny	do 28, 1854	Coopershop.
18	Canada	do	do	do 16, 1854	Copper.
24	Kentucky	Boone	do	Oct. 25, 1853	do
16	Alabama	Franklin	do	April 19, 1854	Cook.
55	Kentucky	Boone	do	July 25, 1854	Laborer.
25	Ireland	St. Louis	do	do 27, 1854	do
22	Tennessee	Jefferson	Assault with intent to kill	Dec. 10, 1845	Cook.
22	Italy	St. Louis	Grand larceny	June 20, 1851	Wagon-maker.
18	Negro	do	do	June 22, 1852	Laborer.
20	Ireland	Clay	do	Oct. 30, 1852	Laborer.
29	Virginia	St. Louis	do	Jan. 15, 1853	do
22	Tennessee	Lafayette	do	Aug. 6, 1853	do
48	Virginia	St. Louis	do	Feb'y 28, 1854	Carpenter.
25	Pennsylvania	do	do	March 31, 1854	Cook.
46	Kentucky	do	do	June 5, 1854	Laborer.
84	Germany	do	Burglary and larceny	do 5, 1854	Cooper.
18	Ireland	do	Grand larceny	Oct. 5, 1854	Machinist.
24	Ireland	do	do	June 25, 1841	Coopershop.
44	Germany	Ray	Robbery	March 5, 1850	do
19	Pennsylvania	St. Louis	Burglary and larceny	do 5, 1850	Laborer.
46	Ireland	do	do	May 30, 1850	do
22	Missouri	do	Robbery in the 1st degree	July 4, 1850	Blacksmith.
50	Negro	do	Murder in the 2d degree	Nov. 2, 1850	Laborer.
...	Indian	do	Enticing away slaves	May 18, 1851	do
85	New York	Cole	Murder	Sept. 22, 1851	Cooper.
26	Pennsylvania	St. Louis	Forgery in the 2d degree	Feb'y 23, 1847	Coopershop.
30	Ocean	do	Robbery	Dec. 11, 1841	Firesman.
...	do	do	Reps.	Feb'y 22, 1852	Coopershop.
56	Germany	St. Louis	Grand larceny	June 14, 1852	Water.
43	Ireland	do	Murder	Oct. 8, 1852	Blacksmith.
86	France	do	Arson in the 8d degree	Jan. 30, 1853	Coopershop.
21	Kentucky	Cole	Arson	March 30, 1853	Laborer.

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NAMES	AGE	NATIVITY	COUNTIES	OFFENCE	SENTENCE	WHEN RECD.	OCCUPATION.
Smith, John.....	21	England.....	Platte.....	Burglary and larceny.....	7	June 9, 1853	Blacksmith.
Steinbach, H.....	42	German.....	St. Louis.....	Grand larceny.....	2	do 16, 1853	Laborer.
Stehenson Lewis.....	23	Pennsylvania.....	do.....	do.....	12	Aug. 21, 1852	Cooper.
Schaffer, H.....	25	do.....	do.....	do.....	2	June 16, 1853	Laborer.
Schmit, Ed.....	26	do.....	do.....	do.....	2	Aug. 6, 1853	Washer.
Stanley, Jas.....	28	do.....	Ray.....	do.....	2	Sept. 12, 1853	Carpenter.
Sone, John.....	29	Ohio.....	St. Charles.....	Larceny of a slave.....	7	Nov. 6, 1853	Laborer.
Stanley, Hiram.....	33	Missouri.....	Andrew.....	Manslaughter in the 2nd degree.....	5	do 16, 1853	Blacksmith.
Smith, James.....	22	Ireland.....	St. Louis.....	Grand larceny.....	2	Dec. 28, 1853	Coopershop.
Smith, Wm.....	53	Virginia.....	do.....	Burglary and larceny.....	7	Jan. 9, 1854	do
Scott, Thomas.....	49	Ireland.....	do.....	Manslaughter in the 1st degree.....	3	June 6, 1854	Shoemaker.
Schaub, Jacob.....	50	Germany.....	do.....	Grand larceny.....	3	July 27, 1854	borer.
Schaub, John.....	18	do.....	do.....	do.....	2	Oct. 6, 1854	do
Shoos, B. F.....	23	Kentucky.....	Monroe.....	Murder.....	Life	Oct. 26, 1854	Coopershop.
Schmidt, Carl.....	31	Germany.....	Lafayette.....	Grand larceny.....	4	Nov. 30, 1854	do
Thompson, Wm. B.....	36	South Carolina.....	McDonald.....	do.....	2	do 24, 1854	blacksmith.
Tomb, Wm.....	24	Virginia.....	Platte.....	do.....	3	Jan. 13, 1853	do
Taylor, Robert.....	18	Massachusetts.....	St. Louis.....	do.....	2	June 5, 1854	Cooper.
Turney, Wm.....	20	Missouri.....	St. Charles.....	Horse stealing.....	2	Oct. 31, 1854	Sawyer.
Ubert, F. A.....	23	Germany.....	Platte.....	Grand larceny.....	2	April 4, 1853	Laborer.
Vancamp, N. R.....	22	Pennsylvania.....	St. Louis.....	do.....	99	July 2, 1854	Cooper.
Wynn, Nat.....	40	Virginia.....	Monteau.....	Murder in the 2d degree.....	15	Sept. 29, 1849	Laborer.
Ward, Geo. W.....	36	Maryland.....	St. Louis.....	Murder.....	10	Nov. 2, 1850	Hospital steward.
Ward, Ben.....	40	Massachusetts.....	do.....	Forgery & passing counterfeit money.....	..	Dec. 11, 1850	Carpenter.
Williams, Wm.....	46	Maine.....	do.....	Grand larceny.....	..	Feb'y 22, 1852	Laborer.
William, W.....	21	Vermont.....	do.....	do.....	..	Nov. 24, 1852	do
Wyland, John.....	34	Germany.....	Franklin.....	do.....	3	April 17, 1853	do
Woodruff Wm.....	18	Kentucky.....	St. Louis.....	do.....	3	Aug. 6, 1853	Cooper.
Wilson, Edward.....	36	England.....	do.....	do.....	2	do 6, 1853	Coopershop.
Whitcomb, M.....	22	New York.....	do.....	do.....	7	Feb'y 28, 1854	Cooper.
Weaver, John.....	22	Indiana.....	Linn.....	Forgery.....	2	April 11, 1854	Laborer.
Wainscot, Chris.....	52	South Carolina.....	Monroe.....	Grand larceny.....	5	June 27, 1854	Wagon-maker
William, Fred.....	32	Germany.....	St. Louis.....	Grand larceny.....	2	July 27, 1854	Cooper.
Watkins, John.....	38	Kentucky.....	do.....	do.....	5	Oct. 5, 1854	Laborer.
Zane, Jonathan.....	19	Indian.....	Jackson.....	Murder.....	10	Sept. 28, 1853	Cannet.

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TABLE (B)

LIST OF CONVICTS who have escaped from the Missouri Penitentiary during the years 1853 and 1854.

NAMES.	AGE.	NATIVITY.	COUNTY.	CRIME.	SENTENCE.	WHEN RECEIVED.	ESCAPED.
Allen, Charles.....	32	Virginia.....	Cooper.....	Burglary and larceny.....	12	Sept. 23, 1853.	July.....20, 1853.
Barnett, George.....	19	Pennsylvania.....	St. Louis.....	do do.....	10	Sept. 10, 1849.	August....3, 1853.
Brown, Michael.....	26	Ireland.....	do.....	Grand larceny.....	4	June 14, 1852.	July.....15, 1853.
Buckley, Michael.....	33	do.....	do.....	do do.....	2	June 16, 1853.	June.....5, 1854.
Banks, Wm.....	22	Illinois.....	Caldwell.....	do do.....	3	Sept. 25, 1853.	August....16, 1854.
Chandler, Peter.....	30	Pennsylvania.....	St. Louis.....	Murder in the second degree.....	50	October 12, 1843.	July.....11, 1854.
Campbell, Wm.....	32	Ireland.....	Washington.....	Murder.....	99	July 20, 1845.	October..16, 1854.
Caldwell, Sam'l.....	26	Ohio.....	Rushman.....	Grand larceny.....	4	Feb'y 13, 1850.	July.....5, 1853.
Conner, John.....	22	Illinois.....	St. Louis.....	do do.....	2	August 22, 1852.	September 2, 1853.
Ewing, James.....	22	Pennsylvania.....	do.....	do do.....	6	July 22, 1852.	May.....4, 1853.
Flannery, John.....	21	New York.....	do.....	Murder in the second degree.....	99	January 15, 1854.	October..1, 1853.
Felt, J S.....	32	Germany.....	do.....	Grand larceny.....	2	Feb'y 28, 1854.	June.....30, 1854.
Flon, John.....	35	Ireland.....	Platte.....	do do.....	4	April 2, 1854.	October..8, 1854.
Granneth, Jao.....	32	Italy.....	St. Louis.....	Burglary and larceny.....	7	October 27, 1851.	August....8, 1853.
Grable, David.....	21	Illinois.....	do.....	Grand larceny.....	5	April 17, 1853.	September 2, 1853.
Golden, Thomas.....	22	New York.....	do.....	do do.....	10	January 11, 1849.	October..15, 1854.
Henry, Charles.....	26	Pennsylvania.....	do.....	Burglary and larceny.....	10	Sept. 2, 1850.	August....16, 1854.
Hughes, Henry.....	24	Ireland.....	do.....	Grand larceny.....	2	Feb'y 28, 1854.	August....16, 1854.
Jenkins, Wm.....	23	England.....	do.....	Burglary and larceny.....	7	March 1, 1850.	July.....5, 1853.
Jamison, Wm.....	21	New York.....	Platte.....	do do.....	7	June 9, 1853.	October..1, 1853.
Johnson, David.....	27	France.....	St. Louis.....	Grand larceny.....	5	Sept. 2, 1852.	June.....5, 1854.
Littlejohn, John.....	26	Ohio.....	do.....	Robbery.....	10	Sept. 20, 1845.	April.....28, 1853.
McQuade, Jas.....	20	New York.....	Ste. Genevieve.....	Burglary and larceny.....	10	June 2, 1849.	October..15, 1854.
Meizer, N.....	19	Germany.....	St. Louis.....	Murder in the second degree.....	99	May 30, 1850.	August....16, 1854.
McDonald, Thos.....	27	Ireland.....	do.....	Robbery.....	16	July 4, 1854.	July.....11, 1854.
Stanton, Wm.....	26	Pennsylvania.....	do.....	do do.....	10	Feb'y 23, 1847.	August....25, 1853.
Smith, Jas.....	43	Missouri.....	Newton.....	G-and larceny.....	44	Nov 16, 1853.	August....10, 1854.
Stevenson, L.....	23	Pennsylvania.....	St. Louis.....	Burglary and larceny.....	12	August 21, 1852.	Sept.....2, 1853.
Smiley, Theo.....	13	New York.....	do.....	Forgery.....	7	March 3, 1852.	May.....5, 1854.
Thompson, Wm B.....	21	Louisiana.....	do.....	Bu glary.....	10	Sept. 10, 1849.	December 1853.
Walker, J. Jn.....	22	Indiana.....	do.....	Burglary and larceny.....	10	Sept. 2, 1850.	May.....4, 1853.

Of the above 81 escaped convicts, 7 have been re-taken.

TABLE (C)

LIST OF CONVICTS who have been pardoned during the years 1853 and 1854.

NAMES.	AGE.	NATIVITY.	COUNTY.	OFFENCE.	SENTENCE.	WHEN RECEIVED.	DATE OF PARDON.
Branton, Jno.....	34	Negro.....	St. Louis.....	Murder in the second degree.....	10	February 11, 1845	June 17, 1853.
Bush, James.....	24	Louisiana.....	Franklin.....	Burglary.....	8	April 11, 1847	May 9, 1853.
Brownsville, F. A.....	54	New York.....	Perry.....	Attempt to decoy slaves.....	4	May 23, 1849	May 26, 1853.
Bel, Aaron.....	37	do.....	Moniteau.....	Receiving stolen goods.....	3	March 26, 1851	March 23, 1854.
Barkwell, John.....	28	Georgia.....	Boone.....	Obtaining goods under false pretences.....	3	August 30, 1854	September 1, 1854.
Co-by, James.....	36	Kentucky.....	Cooper.....	Grand larceny.....	14	December 20, 1813	December 7, 1854.
Culbertson, Wm.....	20	Illinois.....	Stoddard.....	Murder.....	15	October 7, 1819	October 1, 1853.
Claypool, J. H.....	28	Virginia.....	Lincoln.....	Burglary and larceny.....	15	May 12, 1851	March 26, 1854.
Corle, Wm.....	20	Tennessee.....	St. Francois.....	Grand larceny.....	3	June 16, 1851	May 30, 1853.
Cusey, Daniel.....	30	Ireland.....	St. Louis.....	Assault with intent to kill.....	3	June 14, 1852	June 6, 1853.
Dutchy, Stephen.....	28	Germany.....	do.....	Grand larceny.....	3	March 13, 1851	March 13, 1854.
Dane, Adam.....	30	do.....	do.....	Murder.....	25	December 31, 1851	May 21, 1853.
Davenport, M. G.....	31	Kentucky.....	Willer.....	Assault with intent to kill.....	2	October 24, 1853	December 27, 1853.
Eliot, W. J. B.....	26	Canada.....	St. Louis.....	Grand larceny.....	4	May 10, 1849	April 11, 1853.
Eyer, A.....	31	Pennsylvania.....	Platte.....	do.....	2	June 27, 1851	June 25, 1853.
Flizgerald, Jno.....	32	do.....	St. Louis.....	do.....	4	May 10, 1851	August 26, 1853.
Flizpatrick, John.....	40	Ireland.....	do.....	do.....	4	September 22, 1851	July 23, 1853.
Flouresh, Philip.....	21	Germany.....	Clay.....	Murder in the second degree.....	24	November 18, 1852	July 28, 1853.
Flouresh, Jacob.....	29	do.....	do.....	do.....	3	November 18, 1852	July 28, 1853.
Forester, Thomas.....	30	do.....	do.....	Assault with intent to kill.....	2	October 28, 1854	November 13, 1854.
Greene, Wm.....	20	Alabama.....	Osage.....	Murder.....	10	December 18, 1849	August 5, 1854.
Greene, Noel.....	32	Tennessee.....	Cape Girardeau.....	do.....	10	December 18, 1849	August 5, 1854.
Glenn, Thomas.....	32	Ireland.....	St. Louis.....	Grand larceny.....	4	April 16, 1852	July 26, 1853.
Gunning, Root.....	46	do.....	do.....	Embezzlement.....	2	June 14, 1852	June 13, 1853.
Hunter, Jno. G.....	23	Virginia.....	do.....	Incest.....	7	May 26, 1846	May 13, 1853.
Harris, Philip.....	23	Negro.....	do.....	Enticing away slaves.....	5	December 11, 1850	June 17, 1853.
Hill, James.....	21	Tennessee.....	St. Francois.....	Grand larceny.....	4	June 21, 1851	May 30, 1853.
Johanson, Jonathan.....	22	Ohio.....	Lewis.....	do.....	4	June 7, 1850	June 6, 1854.
Jones, Wm.....	26	New York.....	St. Louis.....	Burglary in the second degree.....	10	December 11, 1850	June 20, 1854.
Jackson, A.....	33	Missouri.....	Saline.....	Assault with intent to kill.....	2	November 16, 1852	June 10, 1853.
Knappe, George.....	23	Massachusetts.....	St. Louis.....	Grand larceny.....	4	March 6, 1850	March 4, 1854.
Kelly, Patrick.....	44	Ireland.....	do.....	do.....	2	March 10, 1853	June 15, 1854.

Lamphere, Wm.....	17	New York.....	Lafayette.....	Forgery.....	June.....	12, 1854	August.....	2, 1854.
Minger, Jacob.....	35	Pennsylvania.....	St. Louis.....	Grand larceny.....	March.....	6, 1850	May.....	12, 1854.
Miller, H. N. Y.....	30	do.....	do.....	do.....	September.....	2, 1850	July.....	22, 1854.
Meyer, A.....	72	Germany.....	do.....	Forgery.....	August.....	21, 1852	April.....	22, 1853.
McLean, A.....	26	Scotland.....	do.....	Grand larceny.....	October.....	13, 1852	June.....	2, 1854.
McKee, Joseph.....	59	Virginia.....	Sullivan.....	do.....	November.....	17, 1852	June.....	17, 1853.
McGuire, F.....	24	Ireland.....	Saline.....	Attempt to entice away slaves.....	May.....	18, 1853	August.....	2, 1853.
Mathews, Henry.....	30	Tennessee.....	Crawford.....	Grand larceny.....	December.....	26, 1853	May.....	10, 1854.
Nearnes, Geo.....	18	Kentucky.....	St. Louis.....	Burglary and larceny.....	August.....	20, 1848	July.....	14, 1853.
Palmer, W. H.....	40	Virginia.....	do.....	Grand larceny.....	March.....	11, 1849	May.....	25, 1853.
Robins, Jas.....	27	Ohio.....	Platte.....	do.....	June.....	27, 1851	June.....	25, 1853.
Keyley, S.....	28	Pennsylvania.....	Cole.....	do.....	December.....	4, 1852	December.....	2, 1854.
Renzelm, John.....	40	Germany.....	Lafayette.....	do.....	June.....	12, 1854	June.....	14, 1854.
Smith, John.....	25	Indiana.....	St. Louis.....	Robbery.....	December.....	22, 1843	November.....	18, 1853.
Smart, Thomas.....	29	Tennessee.....	Cape Girardeau.....	Murder.....	June.....	21, 1849	August.....	6, 1854.
Sullens, George.....	22	Missouri.....	Jefferson.....	Burglary and larceny.....	June.....	6, 1851	May.....	12, 1853.
Steele, Charles.....	24	New York.....	Platte.....	Grand larceny.....	June.....	27, 1851	June.....	25, 1853.
Smith, J.....	21	England.....	St. Louis.....	do.....	August.....	21, 1852	August.....	6, 1853.
Suar, G. B.....	41	North Carolina.....	St. Francis.....	Shooting with intent to kill.....	January.....	16, 1854	March.....	11, 1854.
Lannon, James.....	25	New Jersey.....	St. Louis.....	Grand larceny.....	February.....	28, 1854	July.....	8, 1854.
Troubridge, Wm.....	27	do.....	do.....	Embezzlement.....	April.....	17, 1853	October.....	31, 1853.
Thessen, Gustav.....	21	Germany.....	do.....	Grand larceny.....	June.....	5, 1854	August.....	3, 1854.
Vogler, Fred.....	25	do.....	Moniteau.....	Burglary and larceny.....	June.....	28, 1851	May.....	26, 1854.
Wright, William.....	33	New York.....	Clay.....	Felonious assault.....	March.....	8, 1852	September.....	3, 1853.
Wright, J. A.....	35	Ohio.....	St. Louis.....	Attempt to rape.....	August.....	21, 1852	October.....	16, 1853.
Westfall, Geo. W.....	24	Pennsylvania.....	do.....	Forgery in the second degree.....	June.....	6, 1854	July.....	29, 1854.
Yager, Jacob.....	30	do.....	do.....	Burglary in the second degree.....	July.....	4, 1854	November.....	18, 1853.

Whole number pardoned, 59.

TABLE (D)

Of the above, the time granted by pardon, as follows:

11 had of their sentence remaining from one to three days.	15 had of their sentence remaining from one year to two years.
8 " " " three days to three months.	21 " " " two years to 20 years.
4 " " " three months to one year.	

(TABLE E.)

Whole number convicts.....	209	Males.....	206
Americans.....	102	Females.....	4
Foreigners.....	100		
Negroes.....	6	Tot l.....	206
Indians.....	2	Pardoned.....	59
		Escaped.....	31
Total.....	209	Recaptured.....	7
		At large.....	24
		Served out sentence.....	70
		Received in 1853 and 1854.....	134

(TABLE F.)

SHOWING the various branches of business in which the Convicts have been employed since the last biennial Report of the Board of Inspectors, and the number employed in each branch.

Blacksmiths.....	12	Sawyers.....	2
Common laborers.....	77	Shoemakers.....	2
Machinists.....	3	Painters.....	1
Carpenters.....	6	Washers.....	2
Coopers.....	85	Engineers.....	1
Tailors.....	3	Cooks.....	3
Firemen.....	2	Hospital steward.....	1
Wagon makers.....	7		
Waiters.....	2	Total.....	209

(TABLE G.)

SHOWING the various offences for which the Convicts were committed who were in the Penitentiary on the 4th day of December, 1854, and the number committed for each offence.

Larceny.....	117	Receiving stolen goods.....	2
Burglary and larceny.....	19	Decoying slaves.....	2
Murder.....	23	Abduction.....	1
Robbery.....	14	Burglary.....	1
Counterfeiting.....	2	Assault with intent to rob.....	1
Forgery.....	11	Incest.....	1
Assault with intent to kill.....	6	Rape.....	1
Arson.....	5		
Manslaughter.....	3	Total.....	209

(TABLE H.)

SHOWING the places of Nativity of the Convicts in the Penitentiary on the 4th day of December, 1854.

Ireland	40	Maine	1
Germany	31	Maryland	4
England	9	Massachusetts	4
Canada	4	Missouri	13
Italy	3	New York	12
France	3	North Carolina	1
Scotland	2	Ohio	10
Hungary	1	Pennsylvania	13
Poland	1	South Carolina	3
New Zealand	1	Tennessee	11
Ocean	1	Texas	1
UNITED STATES.		Vermont	4
Alabama	1	Virginia	8
Indiana	1	District of Columbia	1
Kentucky	20		
Louisiana	1	Total	209

(TABLE I.)

SHOWING the counties from which the Convicts were sent, who were in the Penitentiary on the 4th day of December, 1854, and the number sent from each county.

St. Louis	140	Shannon	1
Franklin	6	Marion	1
Ray	6	Lewis	1
Cole	5	Chariton	1
Jefferson	4	Ozark	1
Lafayette	4	Folk	1
St. Charles	3	Pulaski	1
Platte	3	Montgomery	1
Clay	3	Clinton	1
Crawford	2	Howard	1
Buchanan	2	Daviess	1
Jackson	2	Washington	1
Saline	2	Audrain	1
Cape Girardeau	2	McDonald	1
Cooper	2	Moniteau	1
Boone	2	Linn	1
Monroe	2	Warren	1
Pike	1		
Hickory	1	Total	209

(TABLE J.)

SHOWING the profits and loss of each branch of business—1853.

Cooper shop	Cr.	11,575 39	
Do. do.	Dr.	5,144 93	\$6,430 46
Hemp Factory	Cr.	43,156 74	
Do. do.	Dr.	37,680 44	5,476 30
Wagon and Smith shop	Cr.	16,724 90	
Do. do.	Dr.	12,796 62	3,928 28
Brick-yard	Cr.	1,064 09	
Do.	Dr.	222 50	841 59

(TABLE K.)

SHOWING the profits and loss of each branch of business—1854.

Cooper shop	Cr.	\$27 878 22	
Do. do.	Dr.	16,883 51	10,994 71
Hemp Factory	Cr.	18,527 36	
Do. do.	Dr.	19,446 68	919 32
Wagon and Smith shop	Cr.	21,905 13	
Do. do.	Dr.	17,934 20	3,970 93
Brick-yard	Cr.	5,439 63	
Do.	Dr.	2,374 35	3,065 28

REPORT

OF THE

ST. LOUIS AND IRON MOUNTAIN RAILROAD COMPANY,

FOR THE YEAR 1854.

OFFICE ST. LOUIS AND IRON MOUNTAIN RAILROAD COMPANY, }
St. Louis, December 18th, 1854. }

TO THE HON. JNO. M. RICHARDSON,
Secretary of State:

In conformity to provisions of the 38th Section of the act entitled, "An act to authorize the formation of railroad associations, and to regulate the same," approved February 24th, 1853, the following report of the condition and operations of the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad Company, made up to the 30th ultimo, is respectfully submitted:

Amount of capital stock by charter is six millions dollars, say		\$6,000,000 00
Amount subscribed,.....		1,492,300 00
Amount paid as per last report,.....	\$10,465 00	
Total amount now paid in.....		484,495 00
Amount funded debt as per last report,.....	Nothing.	
Total now of funded debt, State bonds,.....		50,000 00
Floating debt as per last report,.....	13,048 00	
Amount now of floating debt,.....		24,678 34
Total now of floating and funded debt,.....		74,678 34
Average rate of interest on funded debt,.....		Six per cent.
Amount paid for graduation and masonry as per last report	Nothing.	
Total amount now expended for same,.....		153,751 06
Amount paid for superstructure as per last report,.....	Nothing.	
Total amount now expended for same,.....		238 96
Amount paid for land, damages, fencing, &c., as per last report	450 00	
Total now expended for same, land,.....	20,177 10	
“ “ “ “ damages,.....	13,483 20	
“ “ “ “ fencing,.....	694 60	
Amount paid for engineering, agencies, &c., as per last report	8,356 26	
Total amount now expended for same,.....		46,899 00
Amount paid for contingencies, office expenses, salaries, &c., as per last report,.....	2,278 38	
Amount now expended for same,.....		12,719 99

The road is finally located and under construction from St. Louis to the Pilot Knob, eighty-six miles, and passes within five miles of the town Potosi, in Washington county; but the maps and profiles are not yet completed. The surveys have been extended to the Arkansas line, as also to Cairo and New Madrid, and a most favorable and practicable line has been found, but no location has been made south of Pilot Knob, in Madison county]

The foregoing exhibit embraces all the operations of the Company as shown by the books and records in the office, or within the knowledge of the officers.

The maps, profiles and drawings exhibiting the characteristics of the road will be filed in conformity to law as soon as they can be accurately made up in accordance with the provisions thereof.

L. M. KENNETT, President.

STATE OF MISSOURI }
COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS. }


Luther M. Kennett, President, James H. Morley, Chief Engineer, and Stephen D. Barlow, Treasurer of the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad Company, being duly sworn, depose, and say that the foregoing statement of the condition and operation of the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad Company is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

L. M. KENNETT, President.

JAS. H. MORLEY, Chief Engineer.

STEPHEN P. BARLOW, Treasurer.

Subscribed and sworn to, this 18th day of December, A. D. 1854, before the undersigned Notary Public in and for said county.

IN witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed
 my notarial seal the day and year aforesaid.

BASIL DUKE,

Notary Public St. Louis, Mo.

REPORT OF THE CAIRO AND FULTON RAILROAD CO.

COMMUNICATION TO THE GOVERNOR.

OFFICE CAIRO AND FULTON RAILROAD COMPANY, }
Bloomfield, January 23d, 1855. }

To his Excellency, STERLING PRICE,

Governor of the State of Missouri:

SIR: I have the honor to inform your Excellency, that this Company, having been organized on the 6th February, 1854, in compliance with the provisions of the General Railroad Law of this State, have caused the route for their road to be carefully surveyed from the southern boundary of the State to the Mississippi river opposite the mouth of the Ohio, and connected with the lines of the land surveys.

The Chief Engineer's report of the survey, with a map and profile of the line, and a copy of the resolutions of the Board of Directors approving the same, are herewith transmitted for the information of the Executive and the General Assembly.

I am instructed by the Board of Directors, to state that this Company is ready to select and locate at their own expense, the lands granted by the act of Congress, February 9th, 1853, to aid in the construction of this Railroad, so soon as the General Assembly shall take the action requisite to render the act effective.

I have the honor, Sir,

To be your most obedient servant,

JOHN M. JOHNSON,

President of Cairo and Fulton Railroad Company.

To his Excellency, STERLING PRICE, Governor of Missouri.

Resolved, That the report of the Chief Engineer, with the maps and profile, this day submitted to the Board by the President, be and are hereby accepted and approved.

Resolved, That the President's address to his Excellency, the Governor of this State, informing him that this Company is prepared to select and locate at its own expense, the lands granted by the act of Congress, February 9th, 1853, to aid in the construction of this Railroad, when the General Assembly shall have made the grant available, by an act transferring it to the Company.

Resolved, That the President forward to his Excellency, the Governor, a copy of the report, map and profile, presented by the Chief Engineer, together with a copy of these resolutions, for his information and that of the General Assembly.

I do certify that the foregoing is truly copied from the proceedings of the Board of Directors.

M. A. WILSON,

Secretary of the Cairo and Fulton Railroad Company, Missouri.

January. 25th, 1855.

ENGINEER'S REPORT.

ENGINEER'S OFFICE, CAIRO AND FULTON RAILROAD, }
 Bloomfield, Missouri, January 20th, 1855. }

*To the President and Directors Cairo and
 Fulton Railroad Company of Missouri:*

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to present the following report upon the experimental survey of the Missouri division of the Cairo and Fulton Railroad:

I also present a map showing minute details of the topography of the route surveyed, and its intersection with the lines of the land surveys, on a scale of 2000 feet to one inch, a general map of South-east Missouri, on a scale of 9 miles to one inch; a profile of the line on a scale of 500 feet to one inch horizontal, and 25 feet to one inch vertical; and two sets of plans of the townships through which the line passes showing its connection with the land surveys; these plans are on a scale of one mile to one inch, and are for transmission to the general land office at Washington, and to the local land office of this district as required by the act of Congress of February 9th, 1853, granting lands to aid in the construction of this Railroad.

A direct route from the point on the Arkansas boundary where the line of the Cairo and Fulton road through that State crosses it, to the Mississippi river opposite Cairo, encounters four notable features of this district, which modify the route for a Railroad as also the character and plan of its construction. These notable features are: first, the St. François river and its immediate valley; second, Crowley's Ridge, extending from Chalk Bluff to the valley of Castor and Black Mingo Swamp; third, the passage of Castor and White Water rivers, which join to form Little river, and fourth, the passage of the overflowed bottom lands of the Mississippi river.

The St. François river is so tortuous in its course that any line crossing it would necessarily, except by a lucky accident, be swerved from its true direction in order to cross the stream at right angles to its thread, or to avoid encountering bends, and making three or five crossings of the stream. To obtain this proper crossing, is one of the reasons for leaving the air line.

The next barrier to a direct route is Crowley's Ridge, sometimes called the Bloomfield Ridge. It is a distinct continuation of Crowley's Ridge in Arkansas, which, from a point as far south as Helena, runs an unbroken course northward, through Phillips, St. Francis, Poinsett and Green counties.

ties to Chalk Bluff, where the St. François river makes an abrupt breach through it, passing from its Western to its Eastern slope.

The ridge continues northwardly and eastwardly about 35 miles, where it falls off and is merged in the low grounds of Castor river and Black Mingo Swamp. The characteristic height of the crest of this ridge above the adjacent country, is about 175 feet; it is very narrow and consequently of abrupt slopes, and would prove a serious obstacle to a good Railroad route, were it not for two remarkable depressions which occur in it, not far removed from the line of a direct route to Cairo. We avail of one of these depressions to carry the line from the valley of the St. François across the ridge to the valley of Little river.

Castor river and White Water drain the extensive and precipitous southeastern slopes of the Ozark hills. The delivery of water from these slopes during the rainy season is great and rapid. The water way of these streams comes down upon an extended flat country, the inclination of which is so slight as to give very little current for the discharge of surplus water, which, consequently, spreads over the adjacent country, forming the overflow known as Little river, filling King's and Henson's Lakes, and by offset sloughs delivering water into Lake Nicormy, at the eastern base of Crowley's Ridge.

The line crosses Castor and White Water above what is locally known as the "spread of Castor." Clear Run breaks out from the left bank of Castor 300 feet below the point of crossing, and empties into King's Lake which occupies the low ground between Castor and White Water. One half mile below the crossing of Castor, the river is trifurcated, and at the foot of its delta, we find the head of Henson's Lake. White Water joins this 8 miles below, and the water course thence southward is Little river.

To cross Castor above the "spread" was an object kept constantly in view. The passage is made favorably at a point very little to the northward of the direct route.

The overflow of the Mississippi river during the great freshet of 1849, combined with extreme high water at the same time in the Ohio, extended about 8½ miles westward to the foot of Matthews Prairie. The river during extreme high water fills Big Lake in township 27, north, range 16, east, this overflowing fills Fish Lake, and covers the surrounding country; when the river falls the surface water is carried from Fish Lake by Stephenson's Bayou, back again to the channel. The Mississippi also delivers a portion of its surplus through a slough a short distance south of Cape Girardeau, into the channels of Castor river and White Water.

It is asserted (I have not had opportunity to investigate the subject) that a portion of water also passes from the Mississippi north of the foot of Crowley's Ridge, and flows through Black Mingo Swamp into the St. François river. In the succeeding details of this report you will observe what precautions are used, and what plans are proposed to ward the danger of this overflow.

These surveys were made by two parties—one commenced its operations at the Sand Branch Gap in Crowley's Ridge, about half mile south from the house of Mr. Jonathan Howell, on the ridge road from Bloomfield to Chalk Bluff, about 12 miles below Bloomfield, in section 8, of township 24, north, range 10 east. After running a line westwardly to the valley of the St. François to determine the practicability of the pass, this party made its survey eastwardly towards the ford of Castor, where the road from

Bloomfield eastward to Big Prairie crosses that stream, and after reaching Castor, returned to resume the survey from the western base of Crowley's Ridge across the St. François to the Arkansas boundary. The other party, after a careful instrumental examination of the country between Castor and White Water, took up its course from the ford of Castor, towards the mouth of the Ohio. The surveyed line coming from the Arkansas boundary passes over a flat district of post oak glades which divides the waters of Black river from the heads of Cache river. About one mile north of the boundary, it descends gradually and crosses a head branch of Cache by an open drain of 10 feet width; one and a half miles beyond this, a slough connecting with Cache is crossed. Such are the undulations of the surface that except at one or two points, rain water stands to the depth of only a few inches. The soil is of a whitish compact clay. Nine and a half miles from the boundary we cross Elk Slough, a branch of Monokonet Slough, by a trestle work 200 feet long, 9 feet high; the extreme depth of water is about 6 feet. One mile farther north trestle work 200 feet long is used for crossing another slough, where the greatest depth of water is 4 feet; from this to the St. François river the line is slightly elevated by embankment above the level land. The river is crossed by a bridge of a single span of 160 feet connected with trestle work on each side 620 feet long. These, with additional trestle work 100 feet long, introduced about one mile east of the river furnish ample outlet for the surplus water during a freshet, which nowhere except at the crossing of Second Creek exceeds a depth of 4 feet. The width of the overflow is about $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles. We ascend from the valley of the St. François crossing Second Creek and two small branches of Lick Creek, which require 3 feet culverts to the Sand Branch gap in Crowley's Ridge, by a grade of 37 feet per mile for a distance of 5000 feet.

Up to this point $22\frac{1}{2}$ miles from the boundary, the course is an exact continuation of the long straight line ($54\frac{1}{2}$ miles) from the head of Village Creek in Arkansas, the two lines together forming a single tangent 77 miles long.

The line now deflects gently to the right on a curve of one-half degree (11460 feet radius,) the whole deflection is $20^{\circ} 10'$. The descent from the ridge on the eastern side is rather more abrupt than the ascent from the St. François, requiring a grade of 42 feet per mile for a distance of 2500 feet.

At the eastern base of Crowley's Ridge we come upon what is called Lake Nicormy. This is a rain water swamp for the distance of about $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles; during extreme high water the greatest depth is about one foot and a half or two feet. The soil is sandy, and at the time the survey was made was perfectly dry, as indeed it is during a large portion of the year. Two pieces of trestle work, each 100 feet long, serve to drain the water across the road. Hofstetter slough is crossed by trestle work of 200 feet, so are Broad and Bess' Sloughs. Two other trestles of 100 feet drain sloughs, that are encountered between Bess' and Castor river.

The line strikes Castor near the house of Mr. Wagner, on the road from Bloomfield to Big Prairie, where the high water mark is $1\frac{1}{2}$ feet above the bank.

The survey to this point was made by the western party, conducted by Mr. J. L. Gregg, assistant engineer.

The character of the timber in this district varies very much. On the Glades between the boundary and the St. François, the growth is sparse

near Elk Slough there is a good growth of black walnut, the bottoms of the St. François furnish good timber in abundance, Crowley's Ridge furnishes white and post oak, from the ridge to Castor river the timber is good and of the kinds that suit our purposes. On this division two lines were run, crossing Crowley's ridge, the second, 1114 feet longer, but giving lighter earth-work and easier grades. By a close location, the grades shown on the profile, may even still be reduced, and this point of reduction of these grades is worthy of consideration, inasmuch as they will be the heaviest on the line from Cairo, for 160 miles southward, and will establish the efficient power of engines in working so much of the road.

There is a raft in the St. François river, a short distance below the crossing. This should be removed, it can be done at little cost, and will materially diminish the overflow along the line of road.

The published maps of Missouri, have furnished us but little assistance towards a knowledge of the topography of the country. In the representation of some of the townships of this district, there are gross errors. We have passed with our lines over portions of country above and beyond the reach of any overflow, of undulating surface, under cultivation, that appear upon the maps as immense lakes.

Much and careful examination was necessary to ascertain the true character of the country bordering White Water and Castor, the result of which, fixed the proper point for crossing Castor above what is called the "spread of Castor." At this point, the Eastern party, conducted by Mr. Chas. O. Davis, Assistant Engineer, commenced its survey.

Castor river is crossed favorably where the bed of the stream gives good foundations for the masonry of a bridge of 100 feet span, which, combined with 200 feet of trestle work, will give vent to the river in extreme high water.

Nine hundred feet east of the bank of Castor, the line curves to the right $2^{\circ} 20'$ on a circle of 1.460 feet radius, from the end of this curve to the Mississippi river, the line will be straight. Between Castor and White Water, we cross the head of King's Lake, on a trestle work 1400 feet long, the greatest depth of water being 5 feet. We cross White Water by a bridge of 120 feet span, and 680 feet of trestle work. From this to the foot of Big Prairie, a distance of $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles, is a level district which requires very little drainage. Three openings of trestle work are made in this distance, one of them across a small Cypress brake, which is the head of Lake St. Mary. The grade line skims the nearly level surface of Big Prairie, the soil of which is light, good material for making embankments. We cross the road from New Madrid to Benton, near the house of Mr. Sykes, and descend the eastern slope of the Prairie, by a grade of about 32 feet per mile, to the Lake St. Johns'; this is crossed by a trestle work 800 feet long, of an average height of 9 feet, the depth of high water being 4 feet, and the bottom of a character to give permanent foundations. The line for $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles, now passes over a level district, which is traversed by the State Glade, North-cut, Cypress and three Cypress brakes; the State Glade and North-cut requiring, each, 400 feet of trestle work, and the Cypress brakes, each, 200 feet. We now come upon Brushy Prairie, and to the eastern slope of Matthews' Prairie pass over a comparatively elevated surface, to the boundary of the overflow of the Mississippi river.

The location of the line will pass about $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles north of the village of Charleston.

The overflow of the Mississippi, in the highest freshet of which I can obtain any information, was from one to eight feet deep, at the crossing of sloughs, the depth in some cases 11 and 12 feet, at Stephenson's Bayou it was 14 feet.

The levees projected by the authorities of Scott and Mississippi counties, for the reclamation of their Swamp Lands, will have the effect of diminishing very materially, the extent of the overflow, still, it has not been deemed prudent to make any change on this account in the elevation of the grade, which here, as in all other cases, is put at least three feet above all high water; 2,800 feet of trestle work, are introduced in this embankment, to give vent to the surplus water. We reach the bank of the river in section 15, township 27, north, range 17, east, near the house of Mr. Badger, where the great flood of 1849 covered the surface to a depth of one foot and a half. The river bank was carefully examined, and a line of survey run along it for about three miles, within this distance, a scope which would be allowed under a reasonable interpretation of the charter, as including "a point opposite the mouth of the Ohio river." No position was found affording advantages either in the character of the river bank, or in position, with a view to connect with the Illinois Central Railroad, by any means equal to those which the point selected possesses. This point is nearly opposite the head of Cairo island, below it the channel is narrow, the current rapid, and its abrasions upon the concave shore, are constantly changing its line. The line of our survey to the river is shorter than to any point below, and its terminus is very nearly opposite to one of the points selected by the Illinois Central Railroad Company for its depôts at Cairo. The line of connection between the two Railroads, will be shorter here than at any point below, on account of the intervention of an island, and the peculiar direction of the channels of the Mississippi and Ohio, this difference is important, as it shortens the line of traffic on an extended connected system of improvement.

The tables of grades and curves which are annexed, will show that the character of the route is favorable, its maximum grade, (and that in only one instance, for a distance of 2500 feet,) is 42 feet per mile; in the whole distance, 72½ miles, there are but two curves of ½ degree, (11,460 feet radius,) the total amount of curvature, 22½ degrees. The line is thus very direct, the distance by a straight line from the Arkansas boundary to the Mississippi is 71 miles 680 feet, by the railroad it is 72 miles 2840 feet.

The estimates of cost which are subjoined, in very full detail, give the probable cost of a first class single track road, with turn-outs 1000 feet long, 10 miles apart. The bottom widths of the cuttings will be 20 feet, the top width of the embankments 14 feet. The bridges crossing the principal streams, will be truss framed, weather-boarded and painted, the masonry of brick, as there is no stone on the line. The trestle work will be of the first class of the M form. The items in the estimate will indicate the plan of track.

The cost of depôts, other buildings and fixtures, as well as of locomotive engines and cars, is determined by their cost for the whole line from Cairo to Texas, deducting from this, the cost of the equipment, (already calculated separately,) through the State of Arkansas.

The interests and the duties of the road in Arkansas and in Missouri, being the same, it is presumable they will come under one government, they being in fact but two divisions of one line.

This great item of expense, the fitting and equipment of a road, is not by any means proportionate to the length of the road—thus the cost of equipping a road 875 miles long, would not exceed by 25 per cent. the cost for a road 300 miles long; this item in the estimate for this division, is therefore comparatively small.

I would not advise the erection of any permanent, heavy depôt buildings, at the Mississippi terminus, the estimate is for wooden buildings. I think it advisable to establish the principal workshops for this end of the road, on Matthews' Prairie, which position offers all facilities for the purpose.

The field work of these surveys was commenced on the 22nd and the 27th November, and finished on the 13th and 21st December.

The two parties engaged in them, were composed as follows:

On the Western Division.

Mr. Joseph L. Gregg, Chief of the Party.

“ John Jay Halsey, Assistant.

“ George W. Hughes, do.

“ Samuel H. Niman, Acting Assistant and rodman.

“ John P. Parsons, rodman.

On the Eastern Division.

Mr. Charles O. Davis, Chief of the Party.

“ Spencer C. McCorkle, Assistant.

“ Edward F. Campbell, do.

“ John T. Adams, rodman.

These gentlemen have distinguished themselves by intelligent, faithful and zealous discharge of duty, for which I acknowledge to them my great obligation.

I beg to call your particular attention to the maps of survey, and their beautiful execution, by Mr. Richard Quinn, Draughtsman.

I am indebted to the President and Directors, for the pleasantness of our intercourse, and I thank them for the courtesy and kindness it has elicited.

Your ob't servant,

JAS. S. WILLIAMS,
Chief Engineer Cairo and Fulton Railroad.

TABLE of Grades.

	Level.	Between 0 and 10 ft.	Between 10 and 20 ft.	Between 20 and 30 ft.	Between 30 and 40 ft.	42 24 feet.
	miles. feet.	miles. feet.	miles. feet.	miles. feet.	miles. feet.	miles. feet.
Section No. 1.....	18 4095	15 3800	8 1860	1 418	1 4720	2500
Section No. 2.....	20 920	10 806		1 20	2700	
Total.....	38 5015	25 4100	8 1860	2 488	2 2140	2500

TRACE of the line commencing at the Arkansas boundary.

Miles.	Feet.	
22	3019	Tangent—course, north 44° 15' east, true.
	4038	Curve to right, radius 11,460 feet.
18	365	Tangent.
	467	Curve to right, radius 11,460 feet.
31	286	Tangent.
72	2840	Total distance.

ESTIMATE

Grading, Masonry, and Bridging, Section No. 1, From Arkansas boundary to west bank of Castor River; Length 41.2 miles.

75,470	Cubic yards, excavation (1070 feet haul) @	27c	\$20,376 90
423,610	" " embankment borrowed	" 20c	84,722 00
800	" " excavation pier foundations	" 40c	320 00
452	" " bridge masonry	" \$9 00	4,068 00
1,987	" " trestle abutment masonry	" 9 00	17,488 00
156	" " culvert masonry	" 9 00	1,404 00
160	Lineal feet truss bridge	" 25 00	4,000 00
3,140	" " trestle work	" 2 75	8,635 00
2	Pier foundations	" 850 00	700 00
780	Feet timber	" 18c	101 40
	Grubbing and clearing, average per mile	209 00	8,610 80
Average per mile \$3,649 78. Total.....			\$150,871 10

ESTIMATE

Grading, Masonry and Bridging, Section No. 2, from west bank of Castor river to west bank of Mississippi river; Length 31.75 miles.

16,168	Cubic yards, excavation (haul 725 feet) @	23c	\$3,718 64
602,846	" " embankment borrowed	" 20c	120,569 20
1,188	" " excavation pier foundations	" 40c	475 20
2,186	" " brick masonry	" \$9 00	19,674 00
220	Lineal feet truss bridge	" 22 00	4,840 00
8,380	" " trestle work	" 2 75	23,045 00
4	Pier foundations	" 350 00	1,400 00
	Grubbing and clearing, average per mile	201 00	6,381 75
Average per mile \$5,672 50 Total.....			\$180,103 79

COST of one mile of Track.

Iron rails, 100 tons, 68.37 lbs. per yard, @ \$70 - - - - -	\$7,000 00
2984 lbs. Spikes, - - - - - " 5c - - - - -	148 50
3218 " Chairs, 14 lbs each, - - - - - " 4½c - - - - -	869 81
2640 Cross ties, - - - - - " 25c - - - - -	660 00
Track laying, per mile, - - - - -	450 00
Total, - - - - -	\$8,626 31

COST of one Turn-out.

1,500 cubic yards grading, @ 20c, - - - - -	\$300 90
1,000 feet of track, @ \$8,626 31 per mile, - - - - -	1,632 77
Frogs and Switches, 2 sets, - - - - -	100 00
Switch bars, Switch stands and signals, - - - - -	60 00
	\$2,093 77
Well, tank and pump, - - - - -	835 00
Wood-shed, - - - - -	250 00
Total, - - - - -	\$2,678 77

ESTIMATED COST of the equipment of the whole road from Cairo to Texas boundary.

DEPOTS, SHOPS AND STATION HOUSES.	
1 Central depot.....	\$24,500 00
2 Terminal depots with machinery for ordinary repairs, @ \$48,000.....	96,000 00
3 Relay stations for engines with machinery for slight repairs, @ \$10,000...	80,000 00
3 Principal passenger stations, @ \$30,000.....	90,000 00
3 Principal freight houses, @ \$20,000.....	60,000 00
Engine shed, freight house and passenger depot at Mississippi river.....	15,000 00
Grading, side tracks and turntable for same.....	5,000 00
22 Way stations for passengers and freight, @ \$3,000.....	66,000 00
33 Water stations and turnouts, average 2421.10 each.....	79,896 80
33 Sets houses for road hands, @ \$300.....	9,900 00
Total.....	\$546,296 80

LOCOMOTIVE ENGINES AND CARS.	
For 2 Passenger trains daily 18 engines @ \$9,000 - - - - -	\$162,000 00
" 1 Freight train daily 18 " 9,000 - - - - -	117,000 00
" Lumber and gravel trains 7 " 9,000 - - - - -	63,000 00
20 Passenger cars 2,500 - - - - -	50,000 00
8 Baggage and express cars 1,300 - - - - -	10,400 00
260 Freight cars 600 - - - - -	156,000 00
80 Gravel cars 200 - - - - -	16,000 00
38 Crank cars 100 - - - - -	8,800 00
Total engines and cars, - - - - -	\$578,200 00
Equipment for the whole road, - - - - -	1,124,496 00
Estimate for road in Arkansas, - - - - -	999,200 00
Resulting cost equipment Missouri Division, - - - - -	\$125,296 00

SUMMARY of the Estimate.

Grading, masonry and bridging, section 1.....	\$150,371 10
" " section 2.....	180,163 79
Total grading, masonry and bridging, 72.5 miles, average per mile \$1,558.	\$330,174 89

TRACK.

72.5 miles at \$8.625 per mile.....	\$625,395 00
Cost of equipment as above.....	125,206 00
Cost of levee for depot at Mississippi.....	2,400 00
Cost of revetment of river bank in front of depot 1000 feet long.....	26,226 00
Engineering and contingencies.....	44,757 84
Total cost Missouri division.....	\$1,154,539 78
Average per mile \$15,925.	
Cost of Arkansas division (301 miles).....	6,873,802 00
Total cost Cairo and Fulton Railroad.....	\$7,528,341 73
373.5 miles, average per mile \$20,156.	

REPORT

OF COMMISSIONERS APPOINTED TO CONTRACT FOR, AND SUPERINTEND THE COMPLETION OF THE CAPITOL.

JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI, }
February 2, 1855. }

*To the Honorable, the Senate and House of Representatives,
of the Eighteenth General Assembly of the State of Missouri:*

The undersigned, appointed by an act approved February 24th, 1853, Commissioners to "contract for, and superintend the work necessary to finish the Capitol," ask leave to submit the following report:

The first and most important consideration with the Commissioners was, how to commence and conduct the work, that the appropriation of twenty thousand dollars, would finish the Capitol, in a style of magnificence commensurate with the original design, and in a manner to satisfy the wants of the citizens of a State, destined in a few years to become the wealthiest in the Union. To the Commissioners, this was a matter of great importance. The opponents of the appropriation of twenty thousand dollars to finish the Capitol, opposed it upon the ground (as the debates show) that such an appropriation would, as heretofore, be merely an entering wedge to additional appropriations to the amount of forty or fifty thousand dollars. We are gratified at being able to show, in this report, that such fears were groundless, and to state that the Capitol has been finished in all its parts, and in a style that commands the admiration of our own citizens, of strangers, and of the best mechanics in the United States. To succeed in so important an undertaking, of doing so large an amount of work in so durable and elegant a style, required the constant and vigilant attention of each Commissioner. We have it from the best mechanics of the country, that the work, for durability and neatness, is not more than equalled by any in the Union. In contracting with the mechanics for the execution of the work, it was understood, and in some instances expressly agreed, the work was to be done by them in the manner specified in the contract, and for the remuneration agreed upon, and that they were not to apply to the General Assembly for relief; but that they were to do the work and be content with the remuneration agreed upon in the contract. This course we considered most proper. To contract for work without such an understanding, would be to open the door for men of influence to *underbid* a fair competitor, and by management, deprive such an one of a contract, and take it himself at a price under its value, with an expectation of applying to the General Assembly and obtaining hundreds, or perhaps, thousands of dollars in the way of relief. To have let out the contracts in a manner to give room for such conduct, the Commissioners

considered would be *seriously* detrimental to the public service. Great care was taken that such drawings and specifications were made, as would enable every man disposed to bid, to know, by examining them, the exact amount and character of the work required. As these drawings and specifications were open for the examination of every gentleman desiring to bid, no one of the contractors can say they were surpassed in the quantity, character, or style of the work for which they contracted.

The Commissioners employed Mr. William C. Young to superintend the work under their control and direction; and they consider it but justice to say that that gentleman, in the performance of his important duties, fully sustained his high reputation as a mechanic, and proved himself entirely worthy the great confidence reposed in him by his employers.

The contract for the house-joining work was let to Capt. William Vanover, of this city, for \$4,517 00. He done the work in fine mechanical style; combining durability and neatness, and to the entire satisfaction of the Commissioners. The railing for the stairway and the banistering around the well holes in the rotunda, was put up by Messrs. Cargus & Wallendorf—they having taken a sub-contract from Mr. Vanover for that work. The railing of the stairway, for its exactness and correctness of curve, its workmanship, and its combination of strength, durability and beauty, is considered by travelers and by good judges, equal to any in the United States or Europe.

The plastering was done by Mr. Mayger, of St. Louis, for \$7,173 21. Mr. Mayger was aided by his foreman, Mr. James Ogden, who superintended the work for him. Both of these gentlemen are as fine workmen as are to be found in any country. The work they have put upon this Capitol is evidence of that fact. Mr. Mayger spared no expense to procure the best of materials, and himself and worthy foreman made every effort possible to execute their contract in such a manner as to make the Capitol an ornament to the State. *We* think they succeeded.

The painting was done by Mr. Lepage, of this city, and the graining by Mr. Ross, of St. Louis, at a cost of \$2,303 50. The manner in which it was done, was highly satisfactory to the Commissioners, and is admired by all who have given it an examination.

The necessary stone-cutting was done by Mr. Robert Ainsworth, of this city, for \$2,084 85. Mr. Ainsworth took up all the flagging on the first floor, reduced it in size and relaid and reduced it to a perfect level. In addition, he removed several of the slabs of stone from the outside wall of the Capitol that were cracked, and replaced others of a finer and more polished finish. The fine work of Mr. Ainsworth on the Capitol, proves him worthy the patronage of the whole community.

The Commissioners thought it best, to insure the using of the best materials, to purchase themselves, all the lumber required to complete the work; the cost of which, together with freight and other necessary charges, amounted to \$2,269 67. The pay allowed the superintendent was \$1,500.

The whole expenditure so far amounts to.....	\$19,848 23
Balance on hand.....	151 77

Out of the amount remaining unexpended, there is yet to be paid some two or three printers' bills, which have not as yet been presented.

The Commissioners would represent that the Capitol stands upon a sandy foundation, and is built upon arches. The massive walls of the

building are surrounded by finely finished stone, four inches thick, set upon their edge. Should as heavy blasting be done on the capitol hill as was done in the eastern part of the city, it will crack this thin *shell* stone wall, and cause it to fall from around the main wall of the building. There are stone in places in this shell work (as it may be called,) which if removed, would cause all this fine stone work to fall from that side of the building. The Secretary of State, when he granted the right of way through the capitol grounds to the Pacific Railroad Company, stipulated there should be no blasting that would injure the building. We have no doubt but the Company desire to fulfill the agreement entered into with the Secretary of State; but the blasting is generally entrusted to bosses who superintend the working of a number of hands. These bosses are occasionally men who care but little for the rights and interests of others. Should such an one by *chance* be placed to superintend the blasting in the capitol hill, he might by one blast injure this building to such an extent as would cost fifty thousand dollars to repair the damage. We would therefore suggest that all risk might be avoided by the Legislature authorizing the Commissioner of the Permanent Seat of Government to employ a competent individual to superintend the blasting on the capitol hill. The cost would not be more than two dollars a day, and this small outlay might save the State an expenditure, in the way of repairing damages, of from ten to twenty thousand dollars.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN M. RICHARDSON,
WM. E. DUNSCOMB,
WM. D. KERR.

BIENNIAL REPORT

OF THE

HOME MUTUAL FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY
OF ST. LOUIS, BY THE DIRECTORS, TO THE GENERAL
ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, EMBRAC-
ING THE SEVENTH AND EIGHTH ANNUAL RE-
PORTS TO THE MEMBERS OF THE COMPANY.

To the General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

POLICIES.

Whole number of six year Policies issued from April 20, 1852, to April 20, 1854.....	2261
Whole number issued prior.....	6395
Making whole number.....	8656

PROPERTY.

Total amount insured by six year Policies.....	\$4,041,387 75
do do at risk April 20, 1852.....	6,660,000 00
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	\$10,701,387 75
Deduct amount canceled and expired.	2,622,490 98
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Leaving at risk April 20, 1854, by six year Policies....	\$8,078,896 77

PREMIUM NOTES.

Total amount received in two years.....	\$240,565 29
Balance due in Premium notes April 20, 1852.....	327,139 75
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	\$667,705 14
Less amount returned on expired Policies, 1853.....	\$25,711 79
Less amount returned on expired Policies, 1854.....	48,542 27
Ten per centage collected.....	31,744 67
Assessments collected.	42,324 59
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	\$148,403 32
Making actual capital April 20, 1854.....	\$519,301 82
Real price of Premium notes April 20, 1854.....	\$661,374 45
There is due of ten per centage on Policies in office, and in hands of agents.....	2,347 08

CASH.

To balance in hand April 20, 1852.....	\$14,861 78	
To ten per centage collected.....	31,744 67	
To assessments collected.....	42,324 59	\$88,481 04
Credit by losses and expenses.....		87,947 48
Balance in hands of Treasurer.....		483 56
The Company has sustained losses in two years amounting to		\$71,464 46

An assessment was ordered January 11, 1853, as follows:

- 1st. On all notes given for Policies from No. 1 to No. 6100, ten per cent.
- 2d. On all notes given for Policies from No. 6101 to No. 6275, eight per cent.
- 3d. On all notes given for Policies from No. 6276 to No. 6392, five per cent.

An assessment was ordered April 18, 1854, as follows:

- 1st. On all notes given for Policies up to No. 7369, five per cent.
- 2d. On all notes given for Policies from No. 7370 to No. 7561, two and a half per cent.

Appended to the report of April 20, 1854, was the following statement:

"In presenting the foregoing report of the business of the Home mutual Fire and Marine Insurance Company of St. Louis, to the members, for the fiscal year ending April 20, 1854, the Board of Directors embrace the opportunity to call attention to the flourishing condition of the Company.

"It will be seen that during the year, members holding expiring Policies have received dividends in their own notes, to the amount of \$48,542 27, which had not been needed to pay their proportion of losses during the last six years. The proportion returned in six year Policies has ranged from 22½ to 27½ per cent.

"This sequel shows the advantages of Mutual Insurance more prominently, when a retrospective view is taken of the great number of extensive conflagrations which have occurred during the last six years. The great fire in St. Louis in May, 1849, made it necessary to make a heavy call upon the members of the Company; still all losses by this great fire were paid within the time specified by the Charter. The prompt payment of the losses showed conclusively that the principle adopted by the Company, was the true one: it is a system of accumulation which saves for an emergency—the capital being secure and subject to call—and that call made certain under the lien granted by the Legislature.

"There is vast difference between Mutual and Stock Insurance; with Mutual Insurance, the more risks the Company take, the stronger it grows, for the capital increases in like proportion; while with Stock Insurance the more risks taken, the weaker the Company grows, from the fact that the profits of the Company are divided among the stockholders at the end of each fiscal year, and cannot be reached by the assured beyond the amount of Stock notes; whilst with our Company, a dividend is only made at the expiration of each Policy; and no more money is collected during the six years, than is required to pay the losses of the Company. If a Stock Company can afford to insure—and that for the profits made—it requires no argument to prove that Mutual Insurance must be cheaper, safer and better for the assured.

"An assessment was ordered January 11, 1853. That assessment was ten per cent. on the face of the notes due the Company, for a period extending

from April 29, 1851, to January 11, 1853. To illustrate, suppose a risk of \$10,000 at one per cent. insured in our Company for the period mentioned, it cost the assured but *sixty dollars*, while for the same time Insurance in a Stock Company, at the same rate would cost the assured *one hundred and seventy dollars*. Again an assessment was ordered April 18, 1854, of five per cent. on the face of the notes due the Company—a period of one year, three months and seven days. For that term Insurance on \$10,000 at the rate of one per cent. in a Stock Company, would cost the assured the sum of \$126 93; whilst for the same time and rate in our Company it has cost but \$30 00, leaving a profit to the assured of \$96 93. It is true that the members of our Company are liable under further losses, to pay more at any subsequent assessment, if necessary, and that fact constitutes, in a great measure, the strength of the Company, for the amount stated as required by Stock Insurance, may have been paid by the assured, and declared as a dividend to stockholders, and of course beyond the reach of the assured. Whilst with our Company, the amount is still subject to assessment, being in the hands of the assured, and secured by lien as before stated.

“The capital of this Company has increased beyond a parallel in Mutual Insurance, taking into consideration the heavy losses which have been sustained, and doing an exclusive fire business. With proper management this Company is destined to become one of great usefulness to the community.”

By order of the Board of Directors.

T. L. SALISBURY, Secretary.

St. Louis, January 1st, 1855.

JOINT REPORT OF COMMITTEE FROM BOTH HOUSES ON THE PENITENTIARY.

MR. PRESIDENT:—The committee to whom was assigned the duty of examining the Penitentiary, its condition and management, have, in conjunction with the House committee on same subject, bestowed what consideration their necessary attention to other duties would permit, and beg leave to present the following suggestions, for the judgment and action of the Senate:

The subject is one of great interest to our State and people, and deserves, and should command, far more of the time and attention, both of the committee and of the Legislature, than has been or can *now* be given to it at the present session. The various questions of prison discipline and individual reformation, the economical management and profitable working of the prison and its inmates, the erection of suitable buildings of sufficient extent and on the best plan, to contain the present and rapidly increasing number of State convicts, and whether this shall be done upon the present site—thus, involving an extension of the walls, to include four times the space now included within them, or at an entirely different location—all have engaged the attention of your Committee, and to them we would briefly invoke the attention of the Legislature. In many particulars the Committee cannot approve the management and discipline of the prison and its inmates, although it is difficult to obtain full and thoroughly reliable information in such cases, enough was seen and ascertained, to convince us, that beneficial changes can and should be made. The grounds about the prison, within the yard, are kept in good order, but too little regard is paid to the cleansing of the cells of the prison, particularly the new cells, some of which are in bad condition, and owing to the slovenly manner in which they are kept, and the want of proper ventilation, the atmosphere of the cells of the new prison, is offensive and stifling. The construction of these cells is so bad, being little else than narrow vaults without ventilation, damp and cold in winter, and close and confining in summer, that extra care is required, and should be bestowed upon them to make life within them tolerable, while it lasts. The bedding in the cells is insufficient and dirty, and while the prisoners seem to be warmly enough clad with coarse and proper clothing, additional care might well be bestowed to insure personal cleanliness. Complaint was made to the Committee from various sources, in regard to the diet of the prisoners, particularly that the supply of meat was frequently scanty, and sometimes not sound—and although this seemed scarcely credible, in this land of plenty and humanity—yet the complaint appears not wholly without reason. The special attention of the Physician and Inspectors is invoked to this matter. Considerations of humanity and economy both impel us, to see that no unnecessary severity is practised towards these unfortunate persons, and that a due regard is paid to their comfort, and the certain supply of their reasonable wants. In this connection, we beg leave to enter our disapproval of the practice of the Warden, in keeping “no accurate account of the names and number of convicts who have been punished, or the offenses for which they have been punished.” In every case where punishment is inflicted, the amount and character of punishment, and the offense for which it is inflicted, must be recorded, that it may be seen and

judged by each recurring General Assembly, and by the Inspectors of the prison, during the interval. It is never safe to trust, without restraint, or without supervision and accountability, the power to inflict punishment. The very fact of exposure, which this recorded account insures, prevents, in a great degree, cruel and frequent punishment. The lash is not found in other prisons to be the best corrective, and should be abandoned in this. The object of Penitentiary punishment is not to degrade, but reform. If there is yet left in the bosom of the criminal, a germ of self-respect, it should not be killed out-right by this barbarous and degrading punishment. Its very irregularity and uncertainty, is enough to condemn its use. Ten stripes from the hands of a cruel and vindictive keeper, may often be far more severe than forty, save one, administered as the law directs. It is important to the good government of the prison, that the Inspectors should visit it frequently, make rules for its government, and have power to enforce their observance. A revision of the laws regulating the Penitentiary, and having for its object, greater unity of action and force of authority in the management and control of officers, is desirable, but too little time is now afforded us to do this work effectually, and with many other matters of importance, it is reluctantly postponed.

Difficulties have occurred between the Warden and Physician in the control of prisoners on the sick list, or in the Hospital; men being discharged from the Hospital by the Warden without the order or approval of the attending physician. The impropriety of this is obvious. The Physician is responsible in a great degree, for the health of the prisoners, and, in his department, should have supreme control. While upon this subject, although, perhaps more properly connected with the portion of our report in relation to the prison buildings, we would draw the attention of the Assembly to the great want of a secure hospital, of adequate accommodations. The present arrangement for hospital treatment is wholly insufficient and insecure.

Your Committee have concluded to recommend the increase of the salary of the clerk of the Penitentiary to one thousand dollars, his labors being much greater in proportion to his pay than those of any officer of the prison.

The engine and machinery of the prison are old and much worn, and greatly out of repair, and not of sufficient power to drive the work of the shops efficiently; but in view of the great changes recommended herein, we cannot now advise any outlay for new machinery, until the proposed improvements are erected, and then new machinery can be adapted to the plan adopted, both in building and discipline.

The want of system in the management and discipline of the prisoners, resulting partly from a false economy in the failure to employ a sufficient number of competent tradesmen to supervise each branch of business carried on in the Penitentiary, but mainly from the total absence of plan or purpose in the government of the Prison or the management of its inmates, is of serious disadvantage, both in a pecuniary and moral point of view. There is some excuse for this in the defective condition and miserable construction of the Penitentiary buildings; but great changes could and should be made for the better, and that without delay.

The grand and leading idea of Penitentiary punishment, viz: individual reformation—is wholly forgotten and disregarded. That grand and humane purpose, we know, cannot be fully carried out in the present Prison; but

enough can be done, to keep us in remembrance of the robust purpose of the institution until new buildings, of magnitude commensurate with our necessities shall be erected ; constructed on some plan perfected by the present enlarged science and experience upon the great subject of prison architecture and Penitentiary discipline.

Here our prisoners are huddled together in indiscriminate disregard of the degree of crime, or the character of the offender. The young and the old, the hardened adept and the boy for his first offense, (and that perhaps a small offence) who has deserved punishment, but may yet be reformed and saved, and worked in herds without a sufficient number of overseers to prevent evil communication, enforce discipline or insure industry. Even in the present miserable excuse for a prison which we call our Penitentiary, much could be done by a judicious classification of the prisoners, the separation of the more vicious from the less vicious, the bad from the worst, the young from the old ; but it should be a leading idea and consideration in the adoption of any plan of extension of this, or the erection of a new Penitentiary.

Your Committee agree without dissent upon the necessity for the immediate enlargement of our Penitentiary accommodation. Differences of opinions may exist as to whether this enlargement should be made upon the present very inconvenient and unfavorable site, or an entirely new establishment on an extended scale, and at another location—the city of St. Louis.

But all agree that a scheme shall be drawn and adopted by the General Assembly by which prison accommodations of four times the present extent of our grounds and buildings, and on an improved plan, shall, as soon as may be practicable, be furnished to meet the plain exigencies of our condition.

The ground now enclosed by the present walls, are about three hundred and sixty by two hundred and thirty, but not more than sufficient space for a hundred or a hundred and twenty men to dwell and work in ; the buildings within these walls, except two, are old and dilapidated, badly located and inconveniently arranged, insecure, and in all respects unsuited, (as indeed, are the two rooms excepted,) for the purpose designed. The stone building at the South end of the prison, is one called the new cells is the most substantial, although so badly constructed and arranged for its purpose, without ventilation, cold and damp in winter, and close and confined in summer ; and withal, by no means secure ; that when other sufficient room is provided, it should be abandoned as cells, and appropriated to other use ; there are within it one hundred and twenty cells of the character indicated above, little better than vaults, which afford the the only tolerably secure confinement for the prisoners now within the walls, amounting to near double this number, which will be speedily swelled to three or four hundred. Not more than the number which can be confined within these cells can be employed within the present walls, without any regard to health, comfort or economy. The large brick shop and L adjacent thereto, would be worth preserving, and might be made valuable as a hospital, dining room, chapel and kitchen ; the remainder of the buildings within the enclosure are too old and worthless to be repaired, they are scattered irregularly over the ground in the most inconvenient and insecure manner, the space they occupy and the materials, more valuable by far than the buildings.

New buildings must be erected to furnish room to employ even the number of men, which can work within the walls of the present enclosure, but in looking to the number already within the prison, which will be swelled by the first of May to two hundred and fifty, and perhaps within a year, three hundred, and before five years, to four hundred; an intelligent regard to economy and humanity, requires that at least four times the present space should be enclosed by the extension of these walls or the new enclosure, so that we may not again be required (at least for years to come) to incur the expense of additions. The buildings to be constructed, whether upon the present site or the new location, would be the same, and if built here, in their arrangement little or no regard should be had to the structures which are left to remain on the lot; a new structure on an improved and consistent plan, capable to keep and work four hundred hands, must be begun and built as speedily as practicable. If built here, the difficulties of this site and the heavy expense of gradation, its distance from market, the cost of transportation of prisoners from St. Louis, where a majority of its inmates come, are all obstacles in our way; but by no means insurmountable. If built at St. Louis (while it would be at some greater inconvenience) hands may be taken from the prison here and guarded there while at work, and the entire prison built there as well as here, with convict labor; and, although the prejudices and perhaps the interests of the large and enterprising portion of the citizens of our *cherished* city, who are engaged in mechanical pursuits, might for a time cause dissatisfaction and opposition; yet, their patriotism may well be counted on finally, to acquiesce in what is thought to be for the general benefit.

Your committee would therefore recommend that a committee of three persons by the Governor of the State, of themselves to examine the present site, and to cause estimates to be made by competent engineers and architects of the expense of grading, filling and enclosing an area of four times the size now enclosed within the walls of the Penitentiary, and in all respects thoroughly to examine, estimate, consider, compare and adjudge of the relative cost and advantage of the extension of said walls, and the erection of suitable buildings for Penitentiary purposes to keep and work four hundred convicts therein, with the erection of like buildings in the neighborhood of the city of St. Louis, within walls there to be erected, including a like space upon such suitable ground as they may select and be able to purchase.

And if said committee determines that said extension shall be made and buildings erected upon the present site, that they, as soon as may be practicable, designate in what direction and in what manner said extension shall be made, and at once cause the Warden of the Penitentiary to employ in and about said extension, as large a number of the prisoners as are not otherwise engaged, as can be safely and profitably employed upon and about said extension, and the labors connected therewith. And if the committee adjudge and determine that the Penitentiary shall be erected in the county of St. Louis, that they make selection of a suitable site therefor, not less than ten, nor more than twenty acres, which may be purchased at a cost not exceeding——and having due regard to the convenience of said location to rock, water, fuel and transportation, and be authorized to purchase and pay for the same; and when so bought and paid for, that they require the Warden to cause to be transferred to said location as many hands as may be safely and profitably employed thereon, under the charge

of suitable overseers and guards, and at once to commence the construction of walls thereon to include a like space as above mentioned.

And that said committee also be empowered to select and adopt a plan for a prison capable to contain and employ four hundred prisoners, the construction of which shall, as soon as can conveniently be done, be begun and carried on by the labor of the convicts.

RAWLINS, of Senate, *Chairman*.

SMITH, of Pettis of House, *Chairman*.

STATEMENT OF THE MISSOURI STATE MUTUAL FIRE AND
MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, JANUARY, 1855.

To the General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

Total amount of property insured.....	\$5,218,046 00
Amount canceled by fire and otherwise.....	674,815 50
Amount at risk January 22d, 1855.....	\$4,543,230 50
Whole amount of Premium Notes received.....	408,160 40
Amount canceled.....	72,838 40
Face of Notes January 22d, 1855.....	\$380,322 00

ACCUMULATED ASSETS.

Bills receivable, payable on call.....	\$284,571 79
Due from agents and on assessments.....	3,743 00
Cash on hand.....	2,558 88
Furniture as per inventory.....	250 00
	\$241,123 17
Losses adjusted, not due.....	4,175 00
Net available capital.....	\$236,948 17

F. B. HOMES, *Secretary*.

St. Louis, January 25th, 1855.

MEMORIAL OF THE MISSOURI STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

To the General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

Your memorialists, appointed at the May meeting of the Directors of the State Agricultural Society, in the city of Boonville, A. D., 1854, by resolution, which is as follows:

"Resolved, That a Committee of four be appointed to memorialize the Legislature of this State upon the subject of changing the charter of the Missouri Agricultural Society, so as to vest the property in fee in the Society, increase the salaries of the officers, or to let the same be at the discretion of the Board of Directors, and enlarge the donations to the Society to two thousand dollars annually, and to make such other alterations as to said Committee shall seem proper."

Thereupon, the President appointed your undersigned memorialists to that duty, the Hon. W. B. Napton, being added as chairman, by unanimous consent of the Board.

Your memorialists would represent that the second section of the charter reads as follows:

"§ 2: In addition to the powers above enumerated, the Society shall, by its name and style aforesaid, have power to purchase and hold any quantity of land not exceeding twenty acres, and may sell and dispose of the same at pleasure. The real estate shall be held by said Society for the sole purpose of erecting enclosures, buildings, and other improvements calculated and designed for the meeting of the Society, and for an exhibition of various breeds of horses, cattle, mules, and other stock, and of agricultural, mechanical and domestic manufactures and productions, and for no other purposes. And it is further enacted, that, if from any cause said Society shall ever be dissolved, or fail to meet within the period of five consecutive years, then the real estate held by it, together with all the buildings and appurtenances belonging to said real estate, shall be sold as lands are now sold by execution, and the proceeds deposited in the State treasury, subject to the control of the General Assembly."

In entering upon the duties assigned them by the above cited resolution, and said second section of the charter, being before them, after due consideration of the subject, your memorialists unanimously agree, that the best interests of the Missouri State Agricultural Society would be greatly promoted, and the great agricultural interest subserved, by a change in the charter, as contemplated, allowing the Society to hold any quantity of real estate not exceeding fifty acres, for the sole uses as set forth in said second section of the charter. They would here remark that the grounds purchased by the Society, are the most beautiful and best adapted to the uses contemplated of any in the State, being situated one-half mile South-east of the city of Boonville, fronting on the Missouri river, and forming a fine natural amphitheatre, which, when seen from the officers' stand and ring, and filled with the animated countenances of the seven or eight thousand persons who congregate there for four days in the year, presents a spectacle that a statesman may justly be proud of, and the poet, the artist and philosopher contemplate with emotions of rapture, beauty, and profound

utility. But this fine prospect is marred to the eye of the lover of the beautiful, and to him who would unite the useful with the agreeable, by the proposed enclosure which cuts off one part of the amphitheatre. The enclosure embraces grounds also that would be useful for the amusement of many persons who visit the Fairs from a distance with stock. It is well suited to that purpose by its level surface and contiguity to the city. I can only memorialists see any danger likely to accrue from the enclosure of ground contemplated, when it is borne in mind that it can be used for the enumerated purposes set forth in the charter.

Your memorialists do not deem it advisable, after mature
of the subject, to change that portion of the charter which
dissolution of the Society and the disposition of its funds
control of the General Assembly.

Your memorialists believe that, as this Society has the im-
 ption of a State endowment, its funds, if any are left, upon
 should go into the State Treasury. For although the S-
 required by law, to be distributed in *premiums*, those prem-
 are awarded to, and go into the hands of members of the S.

The eighth section of the charter appropriates one thousand dollars annually, for the space of four years, to be paid on or before the 1st of October of each year, to the Treasurer of the Society. It is proposed that the charter be amended so as to read "May" instead of "October" where it occurs in said eighth section. Your memorialists would suggest that the Society has to purchase its premiums in advance of its payment and has to pay interest on this one thousand dollars, for an entire year, which might be saved to the State and Society by a simple change.

In this connection, your memorialists are instructed, request that an additional \$1000 be added to the sum already in aid of the State Agricultural Society. This grant is so that the premiums awarded at the State Fair may be of great value as to attract the attention of exhibitors from a distance to compare with their premium stock and other articles, and enter into competition with each other for a higher prize, and of greater honor to the State. It is in this way alone that the State Agricultural Society be distinguished above the various county societies, so numerous in existence, each in its own locality, giving a most beneficial and encouragement to all kinds of agricultural and mechanical pursuits. It is but just that these societies should be encouraged forward to some accessible point, all their choice premiums should be for the competition must be greater, so should the prizes be large and the honor proportionably valued.

Your memorialists consider the State Society, with high-
most efficient way that the great agricultural interest can
by providing a place for the exhibition of the various im-
stock and choice specimens of home industry, which are
panied by the owners and producers, thus incidentally giv-
portunity of a free interchange of opinion, each giving au-
struction.

Your memorialists are instructed to request a change in eighth sections of the charter, so that the price of membership be reduced at the discretion of the Society to not less than ten cents.

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than five dollars, and that the officers may be allowed any compensation that the Directors of the Society may deem just and right, to be paid in all cases out of the funds of the Society other than that contributed by the State, which is to be applied alone for the purchase of premiums.

Your memorialists cannot better conclude the duties assigned them, than by soliciting the favorable consideration by your honorable body of the following resolutions, and recommending immediate action thereon:

"Resolved, That the General Assembly of this State is respectfully requested to direct the State Geologist to give special attention to the agricultural interests of the State, to examine the mechanical and chemical properties of all soils and fertilizers, point out the several varieties of soils, and the capacities and peculiar properties of each, together with the crops and culture, and fertilizers adapted to them respectively, and designate the trees and other plants which grow upon and characterize them, and lay down upon the map, so far as may be, the territory occupied by these several soils.

"Resolved, That, in our opinion, that the office of State Geologist should be continued until the survey of the whole State is completed.

"Resolved, That the foregoing resolutions be referred to the Committee heretofore appointed to memorialize the Legislature, on the subject of the interest of the State.

"October meeting, 1854."

All of which is respectfully submitted by the undersigned.

W. B. NAPTON,
WILLIAM O. MAUPIN,
J. LOCKE HARDEMAN,
MINOR W. O'BANNON,
C. F. JACKSON.

JOINT RESOLUTIONS IN REFERENCE TO INSTRUCTING OUR REPRESENTATIVES IN CONGRESS
RESOLUTIONS OFFERED TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Resolved, That the General Assembly of the State of Missouri doth hold to the right of property in slaves as recognized by the Constitution of the United States, and that the State of Missouri have a valid claim on the Government of the United States for protection to that property.

Resolved, That the General Assembly doth hold to the fact that recently the fanatics and abolitionists of Chicago, have on more occasions than one, not only put at defiance the fugitive slave law, when attempted to be enforced by the civil authorities of that place, but have treated as assassins and murderers the officers of Missouri, who, in their provocation, then seeking in a lawful and peaceable manner to recover their slaves, stolen or enticed from this State.

Resolved, That as the present Administration has prominently recognized the obligation of the General Government to protect law-abiding citizens, and has pledged its powers to the successful execution of the fugitive slave law, the General Assembly do respectfully instruct our Senators and request our Representatives in Congress, to call the attention of the Executive department of the Federal Government, to the fact that the State of Missouri has sufficient military force stationed at various points in the State, to aid, if necessary, the civil authorities of that place to execute the law.

Resolved, That the General Assembly doth hold to the fact that, where else in the State of Illinois, the provisions of the fugitive slave law passed by Congress, have been so flagrantly and so openly violated, as in the case of the State of Missouri, where the law is so flagrantly and so openly violated, as in the case of the State of Missouri.

Resolved, That while we in the spirit of humanity and good neighborhood are anxious to cultivate and continue the friendly relations which have so long subsisted between us and our sister State, Illinois, we cannot quietly submit to the wrongs which certain citizens of that State have perpetrated upon the citizens of the State of Missouri.

Resolved, That we appeal to the law-abiding and law-abiding citizens of the State of Illinois to exert themselves in good faith to arrest the practice, so long persisted in by certain fanatics and abolitionists, of interfering with the running of the law, and of harboring and protecting the negroes from our State; and more particularly do we appeal to the Legislature of Illinois, to pass such laws as shall effectually arrest the wrongs of which we complain.

Resolved, That we appeal to that love of country and devotion to the Union, with which we can but believe the people of Illinois, in common with the people of this and the other States, and our countrymen, are deeply imbued, and to the friendly relations, so important to the peace and harmony of the Union, that our friendly relations may be preserved, and the good faith and fraternal regard, which should ever exist between the States of Illinois and Missouri, be perpetuated.

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing resolutions be sent to our Senators and Representatives in Congress, to be presented before the Executive department of the Government at Washington, and that a copy be also sent to the Executive of the State of Illinois, with the request that the same be laid before the Legislature of that State.

RESOLUTIONS AGAINST RELIGIOUS INTOLERANCE, AND AGAINST THE PROSCRIPTION OF ADOPTED CITIZENS.

WHEREAS, it has become evident from recent manifestations throughout the United States, that there is prevalent an unjust feeling of hostility towards American citizens who are of the Catholic church because of their religious belief, and towards adopted citizens because of their foreign birth, therefore,

Be it Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

1st. That in the language of the Constitution of the United States, "No *religious test* shall ever be required as a qualification to any office or public trust under the United States," and further, that there shall be made "No law *respecting* an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."

2d. That in the language of the constitution of the State of Missouri, declaratory of the rights of the people, "All men have a natural and indefeasible right to worship Almighty God according to the dictates of their own conscience; that no *human authority* can control or *interfere* with the rights of conscience; and that no person can ever be hurt, molested, or *restrained* in his religious professions or sentiments, if he do not disturb others in their religious worship."

3d. That it is violative of the spirit of American Institutions and the sacredness of American liberties to proscribe any who may be citizens of this Republic, or to exclude them from positions of public trust and honors, either because of their "religious professions," or because of the accident of their birth, or the fact that they have chosen this land of the free as the home of their adoption.

4th. That wise and patriotic motives influenced our Revolutionary ancestors, both in encouraging emigration to our shores, and in refusing to make any religious establishment for our common country; also that wisdom and patriotism both teach that it would be as unjust now to discriminate *against* any one religious denomination, as to discriminate *in favor* of any one, and that it would be as impolitic to drive off labor and population from our land, as it has hitherto been prudent and beneficial to invite it.

5th. That the two great distinguishing features of our Republican Government, which give to it a lustrous preëminence above all others on earth, consist in *the equality of citizenship*, and *the freedom of conscience*, and that any political creed which either directly or indirectly *denies* the one, or *restrains* the other, is unworthy the name "American," as well as false to the future destiny of our nation.

6 h. That the people of Missouri will ever remain true and loyal to the letter and the spirit of our National and State Constitutions, and will neither tolerate a return to the illiberal principles of the Alien laws of John Adams, nor to religious persecution, such as that which forced our Pilgrim Fathers to take up their abode in the New World.

It is That our Senators in Congress are hereby instructed, and our Representatives are requested to conform to, and carry out the cardinal doctrines set forth in the foregoing resolutions.

REPORTS FROM THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY
OF THE
COMMITTEE OF WAYS AND MEANS,
WITH THE ACCOMPANYING PAPERS FROM THE AUDITOR
OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ATTORNEY GENERAL, IN
RELATION TO THE DEFALCATION OF THE LATE
STATE TREASURER, PETER G. GLOVER.

MAJORITY REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

MR. SPEAKER: The Committee of Ways and Means, to whom it was referred, have had under their consideration, the following resolution, which was adopted by the House:

“Resolved, That the Committee of Ways and Means be, and they are hereby instructed to enquire into the reasons why the Auditor of this State has not heretofore directed prosecution to be commenced in the name of the State for the official delinquencies of the late Peter G. Glover, former Treasurer of this State, as by law he was required to do, and report the same to this House as soon as practicable.”

Soon after the adoption of this resolution by the House, the Committee addressed the following letter to Mr. Buffington, the Auditor of Public Accounts:

JEFFERSON CITY, February 15th, 1855.

Dear Sir: The Committee of Ways and Means have had under their consideration the following resolution, which was adopted by the House of Representatives a few days ago:

“Resolved, That the Committee of Ways and Means be, and they are hereby instructed to enquire into the reasons why the Auditor of this State has not heretofore directed prosecution to be commenced in the name of the State, for the official delinquencies of the late Peter G. Glover, former Treasurer of this State, as by law he was required to do, and report the same to this House as soon as practicable.”

Will you please to inform the Committee, as to the reasons why you have not directed suits to be brought, in the name of the State, against the securities of the late Peter G. Glover, former Treasurer of this State.

I am directed by the Committee to enquire of you whether you have not evidence in your office, going to show the defalcation of the late Treasurer, and the amount of such defalcation? If you have no such evidence in your office, can you inform the Committee where such information can be obtained?

I am also directed to enquire whether you have not evidence in your office, going to show the amount of the securities of the late Treasurer, who the securities are, and what is their character.

I would be gratified if you would submit your answers to these questions in writing, so that I may present them to the Committee, and to the House of Representatives.

And may I request of you, that you will prepare your answer at your earliest convenience.

Very respectfully, yours,

R. C. HARRISON, *Chairman.*

APPENDIX.

their report to Governor King, who laid it before the General Assembly. But it does not appear to the committee that the Legislature took any final action on the report of the Committee, or that they either approved or disapproved of it. It also appears that the Governor instructed the Attorney General to bring suit against the securities of the late Treasurer. The Attorney General did not bring suit for the reasons set forth in his letter to the Auditor, which accompanies this report. It seems from the letter of the Attorney General that he declined to bring suit, because he did not consider that the report of the committee was final, and because he considered that the law required that the report should be approved by the General Assembly. The special message of Governor King, laying the report of the Committee before the Legislature, will be found in House Journal for 1852, page 70. The House ordered the report to be printed, but your Committee have not been able to discover that this report was spread upon the Journals. Why this was not done your Committee are not able to discover.

But your committee are of the opinion, that a report of so much importance, should have been spread upon the Journals of the House. Your Committee have not been able to find this report anywhere, nor can they ascertain that it is now in existence. It seems to your Committee, that the Clerk of the House, should always be required to spread a report of so much importance, upon the Journals of the House.

A special committee of this House, was appointed to inquire into the defalcation of Peter G. Glover, late Treasurer of this State. This will appear from a reference to the House Journal, pp. 124. And that committee made a report, as will appear from same Journal, in the Appendix, pp. 376, which report was agreed to by the House; see House Journal, pp. 666. So far as your Committee have been able to ascertain, the General Assembly did not take any further action in relation to the report of the Committee that settled the accounts of Peter G. Glover, late Treasurer of this State. It did not approve of the report of the committee, and cause it to be entered upon the books of the Auditor. It seems to the Committee that this was required by law.

This subject was called particularly to the attention of the Legislature, by Governor King, in his Message of December 28, 1852. In that Message, Governor King uses the following language: "I call the attention of the Legislature to the report of the Committee, appointed to settle the accounts of the late Treasurer. The amount of defalcation, \$87,045 91, is well secured by the official bond. I entertain the opinion that suit might have been brought upon the bond, immediately after the report of the committee, but it was thought best to await the action of the Legislature."

The Committee will conclude this report with the following resolutions, which they respectfully recommend may be adopted by the House:

1st. *Resolved*, That the law did not require that the Auditor should direct prosecution to be commenced, in the name of the State, for the official delinquencies of the late Peter G. Glover, former Treasurer of this State.

2nd. *Resolved*, That the Auditor has not been guilty of any official delinquency, in not directing a prosecution to be commenced, in the

name of the State, against the securities of the late Peter G. Glover, former Treasurer of this State.

3d. *Resolved*, That the law required that the report of the committee appointed to settle the accounts of the late Treasurer, should have been approved by the General Assembly, and that the General Assembly should have caused the proper entries to have been made in the books of the Auditor and Treasurer; or if the General Assembly disapproved of the report of the committee, it should have caused another settlement to be made.

4th. *Resolved*, That the Attorney General be requested to present to this House, his opinion in writing, going to show, whether or not, he considers that the securities of the late Peter G. Glover, former Treasurer of this State, are released from their liability to the State, on the official bonds of the late Peter G. Glover, former Treasurer of this State.

5th. *Resolved*, That if the Attorney General shall give it as his opinion, that the securities of the late Peter G. Glover, former Treasurer of this State, are not released, he be required to commence suit, in the name of the State, immediately, against said securities.

6th. *Resolved*, That if the Attorney General shall be of the opinion, that said securities of said Glover, are not released, he be requested to furnish this House, in writing, with his opinion, and to inform this House, if any, and what farther legislation is necessary, in order to bring a suit or suits against said securities to a successful result.

All of which is most respectfully submitted to the House.

HARRISON, Chairman.

MINORITY REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

The undersigned, does not concur with the first and second resolutions, herewith submitted, believing, that by the 7th provision of the 3rd section of the 2nd article of "An act to establish and regulate the Treasury department," it is made the duty of the Auditor "to direct prosecution, in the name of the State, for all official delinquencies in relation to the assessment, collection and payment of the revenue, against all persons, who, *by any means*, become possessed of public money or property, and fail to pay over the same, and *against all debtors of the State.*"

Whilst it is true, that the settlement report of the committee appointed by Governor King, to settle the accounts of said Treasurer, Glover, if it could be found, would, no doubt, facilitate the prosecution of the securities of said Glover; yet the undersigned cannot discover any sufficient reason for the non-use of evidence of defalcation; that, he has reason to think, can be found on the books of the Auditor and Treasurer—constituting the Treasury department of the State. The non-prosecution of defalcations, like the one in question, is calculated to seriously endanger the safety of the funds of the State—and, therefore, to prevent loss, all public officers should be held to a strict accountability.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. LIGHTNER.

Jefferson City, February 22, 1855.

LETTER OF AUDITOR IN REPLY TO COMMITTEE.

SIR: I avail myself of the earliest convenient opportunity to reply to your communication of the 14th inst. For your information, I beg to state that the resolution adopted by the House of Representatives, instructing the Committee of Ways and Means to inquire into the reasons why the Auditor of this State has not heretofore directed prosecution to be commenced in the name of the State for the official delinquencies of the late Peter G. Glover, former Treasurer of this State, as by law he is required to do, and report the same to the House as soon as practicable.

I respectfully submit that, in so far as the resolution of the House conveys an imputation of official delinquency on my part, it involves a total misconception of both the law and the facts of the case. The general provision of the law regulating the Treasury Department, which makes it the duty of the Auditor to "direct prosecution, in the name of the State, for all official delinquencies in relation to the assessment, collection, and payment of the revenue, against all persons, who, by any means, become possessed of public money or property, and fail to pay over or deliver the same, and against all debtors of the State," refers only to those officers whose duty it is, under the law, to account to the Auditor, and of whose delinquencies or defalcations he has official knowledge. To give a different construction to this provision of the statute referred to, would be to require the Auditor to direct prosecutions in cases in which he may have no official knowledge of the facts, and in which he may not have a particle of official evidence in his possession to maintain such prosecution. The law never never designed such an absurdity.

But we are not left to mere inference in this matter. The same law which makes it the duty of the Auditor to direct prosecutions in the cases cited, at the same time makes special provision for the mode, and manner in which a State Treasurer shall account and settle. Thus, as a conclusive proof that the State Treasurer is not included in the class of officers with whom the Auditor is required to settle, and against whom he is to direct prosecutions. By reference to the law regulating the "Treasury Department," from section seven to section fourteen of the fifth article of said act, it will be seen that the State Treasurer settles his accounts with the General Assembly, through a committee appointed for that purpose, and not with the Auditor of Public Accounts. An examination of the provisions of law cited will show that, when a Treasurer dies, the General Assembly, in its next session, is required to appoint a committee to settle his accounts. If the General Assembly is not in session when the Treasurer dies, then the Governor is required to appoint the committee; and in both instances, the report of the committee must be made to the General Assembly, and not to the Auditor. The

law further requires that the General Assembly shall approve or disapprove of the report of the committee, and if it approve the same, it shall cause the report to be entered of record, in the books of the Auditor and Treasurer. This is the way appointed by law, and the only way, by which the Auditor comes to the official possession of the report of a Committee appointed to settle the accounts of a State Treasurer. When, therefore, the General Assembly has taken this action on the report of a Committee, it is considered final evidence of the facts contained therein, so far as the State is concerned; and it is certainly not a violent presumption to conclude that the legislature, being appointed to hear and consider of the whole matter, should also direct what farther proceedings should be taken in the premises.

In regard to the report of the Committee that settled the accounts of Peter G. Glover, deceased, late State Treasurer, the General Assembly has wholly failed to discharge its duty, under the law, and there is not now, nor has there been at any former time, any evidence in the Auditor's Office, of the defalcation of said Glover, as a brief reference to the facts of the case will conclusively show.

Peter G. Glover died in the fall of 1851, about eighteen months before the present Auditor came into office. Gov. King immediately appointed a Committee to settle the accounts of the deceased Treasurer, as the law required him to do. The Committee discharged the duty imposed on them, and delivered their report to the Governor, to be by him laid before the General Assembly. As soon as Gov. King was satisfied by the report of the Committee that Glover was a defaulter, he deemed it to be his duty, and not the Auditor's, to direct suit, and accordingly he instructed the Attorney General to commence prosecution immediately. The Attorney General declined to do so, not for the reason that the Governor was usurping the powers and duties of the then acting Auditor; but on the very sensible ground, that the report of the Committee was not final, and required the approval of the General Assembly before a suit could be maintained. Subsequently, as the law expressly required, Gov. King communicated the report of the Committee to the legislature. This was done on the 9th day of September, 1852, in a special communication, which may be seen at page 70 of the House Journal of that year. The House on the same day ordered the report to be printed, and there the subject was dropped and no farther action taken in reference to the report, until the 21st day of September, 1852, when a special committee was raised in the House, with power to send for persons and papers, to investigate the whole matter of Glover's defalcation. See House Journal 1852-3, page 124. This special committee made report, without any recommendation, on the 24th February, 1853. The report may be seen by reference to page 846 of the Appendix to House Journal, 1852-3. So far as I am informed, this is all the action that was taken by the General Assembly, in relation to the report of the Committee that settled Glover's accounts, at the extra session of 1852, and during the regular session of 1852-3. It did not approve the report of the Committee and cause it to be entered of record in the Auditor's Office, as the law expressly requires, although Gov. King, in his regular message, called special attention to the subject, and earnestly recommended that provision should be made by law, at once, authorizing the Attorney General to institute suit on Glover's bond. Another proof that it was not considered

the duty of the Auditor to meddle with the high prerogatives of the General Assembly.

Thus matters stood when I took office on the 11th day of January, 1853. I did not find then, nor do I find now, any official evidence in my office of the defalcation of Peter G. Glover, deceased, and if I had directed the prosecution of a suit against Glover's securities on his official bond, I should have done so without being able to furnish to the law officer of the State, a particle of proof to sustain such prosecution. It is therefore apparent, that if there has been any omission in the discharge of official duty, in relation to the defalcation of Treasurer Glover, the responsibility of such delinquency rests with the General Assembly of 1852-3. The law made it the duty of that body to approve of the report of the Committee that settled Glover's accounts, and to cause it to be entered on the books of the Auditor and Treasurer. And yet, the General Assembly of 1852-3 did neither of these things, and in consequence thereof, the Attorney General of the State gives it as his deliberate opinion that without farther legislation, no action can be maintained against the securities of the defaulting treasurer!

In reply to your enquiry, whether I have not evidence in my office "showing the amount of the security of the late treasurer, who the securities are, and what is their character," I will state that the bond of the Treasurer is required by law to be filed in the office of the Secretary of State, where you will find all the facts to which your enquiry relates. The evidence sought, is not, of course, in my official possession.

Having answered all the enquiries of your Committee, I beg to call your attention to the accompanying correspondence between the Attorney General and myself, and ask that it may be considered as forming a part of this communication.

Acknowledging, sir, your uniform courtesy and kindness in all of our official intercourse.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,

Your obd't. serv't.,

WM. H. BUFFINGTON,

Auditor of Public Accounts.

LETTER OF AUDITOR TO ATTORNEY GENERAL.

AUDITOR'S OFFICE, MISSOURI,
City of Jefferson, February 16th, 1855. }

JAMES B. GARDENHIRE, Esq.,

Attorney General of Missouri:

SIR: The Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means, of the House of Representatives, on behalf of said committee, has addressed to me certain enquiries relative to the discharge of my official duty, in directing suit to be instituted on the official bond of Peter G. Glover, deceased, late Treasurer of State, which I shall be able to answer more satisfactorily, by having your replies to the following interrogatories; I will be greatly obliged to you, therefore, if you will answer:

First: Did Governor King request you, as Attorney General, to in-

institute suit on Glover's bond, soon after the committee appointed to settle said Glover's accounts reported a defalcation, and did you, after examination of the law of the case, decline to do so, on the ground that such suit could not be maintained until the General Assembly had acted on the report of said committee?

Second: In your opinion, is it the duty of the Auditor of Public Accounts to direct you, as the law officer of the government, to institute suit on a defaulting treasurer's bond? or does the General Assembly find the act of a defalcation, and direct what shall be done in the premises?

Third: Did you consider the instructions given you by Gov. King as sufficient to cause you to institute suit on Glover's bond, as soon as the General Assembly took some definite action upon the report of the committee that settled Glover's accounts and reported a defalcation?

Fourth: Please state whether, or not, we have had frequent conversation in relation to the institution of suit on Glover's bond, and if so, whether or not, you have been giving it to me as your opinion, that judgment could not be had in such suit, on account of the neglect or failure of the General Assembly to take proper action on the report of the committee referred to?

Hoping that it will suit your convenience to make an early reply.

I have the honor to be

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

W. H. BUFFINGTON.

Auditor of Public Accounts.

LETTER OF ATTORNEY GENERAL IN REPLY TO AUDITOR.

OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL,
City of Jefferson, February 16th, 1855. }

WILLIAM H. BUFFINGTON,

Auditor of Public Accounts.

DEAR SIR: Your communication, asking my opinion, as to your official duty in reference to the defalcation of Peter G. Glover, late Treasurer of the State, has been received.

It is your duty to direct prosecution, in the name of the State, for all official delinquencies in relation to the assessment, collection and payment of the revenue, against all persons, who, by any means become possessed of public money or property, and fail to pay over or deliver the same, and against all debtors of the State, Rev. Stat. 1060, Sec. 3; but such direction could not, in my opinion, have been given in reference to the defalcation of the late Treasurer.

The act regulating the treasury department provides that in case of the death of the Treasurer, the Governor may make an appointment of some suitable person to perform the duties of the office, until a successor can be appointed according to the constitution; and if the General Assembly is not in session, he shall cause a settlement to be made of the accounts of the former treasurer, remaining unsettled, in the same manner as settlement is made with the Auditor and Treasurer, before each regular session of the General Assembly. This is done by one member of the Senate and two of the House of Representatives, selected and notified by the Governor, to meet at the seat of government, for

that purpose. The members selected, or a majority of them, acting under oath, make the settlement, and report it to each house of the General Assembly, and if they approve it they shall cause proper entries to be made in the books of the Auditor's and Treasurer's offices, showing the result of such settlement. The persons appointed by the Governor to make the settlement, in case of the death of the Treasurer, are required to make out duplicate certificates of such settlement, showing the balance of moneys, securities and effects for which the deceased Treasurer was accountable, and what has been delivered to his successor, one of which must be delivered to the person entitled thereto, and the other to the Governor, to be laid before the General Assembly at its next session. If it approves the same, it shall cause the proper entries to be made in the books of the Auditor and Treasurer, and if it disapprove thereof, it shall cause another settlement to be made, Rev. Stat. 1866-7. Secs. 6 to 14.

These are substantially the provisions of law regulating the settlement of the accounts of a deceased treasurer. Until the settlement was made, and approved by the General Assembly, as provided by law, you could not know officially of any delinquency or indebtedness to the State. Though the Auditor, by law, has full access to the Treasurer's office for the inspection of all books, accounts and papers which it may contain, concerning any of his duties, Rev. Stat. 1865, Sec. 1, he has nothing to do with the moneys, securities and effects, for which the Treasurer and his securities are accountable. If you had directed a prosecution, what evidence could you have furnished of a delinquency, or an indebtedness to the State? The persons appointed by the Governor to make the settlement, to ascertain the delinquency and indebtedness, if any, were not required to certify the result to you, but to the Governor, to be laid before the General Assembly at the next meeting, to be approved or disapproved; if disapproved, another settlement to be made; if not, proper entries to be made in the books of the Auditor and Treasurer, showing the result. If you had directed a prosecution upon the settlement, before approved by the General Assembly, a disapproval and another settlement might have defeated it, even if the want of such approval would not. But I can see no difference between the certificate of settlement and the approval of the General Assembly, so far as they affect the delinquency of the late treasurer. One is as essential to show delinquency as the other. The law is as peremptory that the General Assembly shall approve or disapprove, as that the persons appointed by the Governor shall make the settlement. As the law now stands, the delinquency can only be ascertained by the General Assembly. The persons selected from it by the Governor to make the settlement, constitute but a joint committee to investigate the matter, and bring it before the General Assembly. It must be acted upon there, before any delinquency can be ascertained. Until so acted upon, it is not the act of the General Assembly, and there is no delinquency ascertained in the manner provided by law. If you had directed a prosecution, it would still have been the duty of the Governor to lay the certificate of settlement before the General Assembly at its next session. A prosecution would then have been pending for a delinquency not yet legally ascertained to exist.

Soon after the Committee appointed to settle the accounts of the late treasurer certified a defalcation to Governor King, he requested me, as

Attorney General, to institute suit on the treasurer's bond. I declined to do so. I was well satisfied, upon full examination of the subject, that I had no authority to institute such suit, and could not sustain it if commenced. I should, in fact, have rendered myself individually liable for the costs of such a proceeding; for there is no law authorizing the payment of costs by the State, in such a case. I declined for the reason before stated, that no delinquency had been ascertained in the manner provided by law.

In answer to your third interrogatory, I have to say, that I did not regard the direction of Governor King as sufficient to authorize the institution of suit, even if the General Assembly had approved the certificate of settlement. Though it was his duty to see that the laws were distributed and faithfully executed, he could not authorize the Attorney General to institute a suit not provided for by law. I did not, however, for obvious reasons, decline to institute suit, on this ground. It is due to Governor King to say, in this connection, that, after considering my objection to the institution of suit, he still differed with me in opinion, and insisted that it should be done.

In answer to your fifth interrogatory, I state that we have had frequent conversations in regard to the institution of suit on the late treasurer's bond, in which I uniformly expressed the opinion that such suit could not be maintained until a delinquency was ascertained in the manner provided by law, that is, until the settlement of the committee was approved by the General Assembly.

Respectfully,
JAMES B. GARDENHIRE.

REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives:

The Committee on Education beg leave to report, that, in the discharge of the duty assigned them, they have had under consideration the various bills and petitions referred to them, proposing by general and special enactments, to modify, amend and alter the existing school laws. Your Committee, fully sensible of the importance of the interest committed to them, and impressed with the belief that the action of the present Legislature touching this subject, will have great and permanent effect, either for good or for evil, on the cause of common school education in this State, have approached the consideration of the matters confided to them, anxious only, to discharge their duty faithfully, and to contribute by their action, as far as possible, to the success of a system which, though it may be, and doubtless is in some respects, defective, is designed to carry out the will of the people of the State, often and wisely, and unanimously expressed.

That it is one of the first duties of any State, and preëminently of a State, the institutions of which, depend upon the intelligence and virtue of its people, to take measures which will afford every child within its borders, at the smallest expense to the individual, a good education — since vice

is the child of ignorance, and freedom cannot exist where ignorance and vice prevail—no one will deny. The people of Missouri have long since determined that their duty in this respect shall be discharged; and in testimony of their conviction that it is not only a duty, but a necessity, they have borne for years past, and paid without a murmur, whatever burdens of taxation have been deemed necessary to advance this object. There is, then, now no controversy as to whether a school system shall exist, as to whether it is our duty to cherish and protect it, as a duty to ourselves, as [the source of the greatest security to our institutions, and as a necessity to the State. The question to be considered—and the only question remaining—is how we may best modify existing laws on this subject, to secure more certainly the grand results aimed at? Our only duty is, to ascertain as far as may be, in what respects the laws already enacted fail to accomplish the desired object—what defects, experience, and their practical operation have pointed out, and to remedy them without delay.

Your Committee are well assured that it is absolutely essential to the success of any school system, that it should be simple, permanent and stable. No system can be successful which does not command the respect and confidence of the people, and this respect and confidence cannot be either established or retained, if at each succeeding session of the Legislature, radical changes are made. It is to be remembered, also, that the laws regulating common schools, the administration of which, is of necessity committed in great measure to the people themselves, must, more than is the case with most other laws, reach to detail, and prescribe the manner in which the minutest duties imposed by them, shall be discharged. From this fact, arises a strong argument against any change not absolutely necessary, in any existing law upon this subject. Without stability and permanence—without the assurance that the law, with which by study, by practical acquaintance with its operations, by observations in their own neighborhood, they have become familiar, will remain unchanged as far as may be possible, the people will be discouraged, townships will remain unorganized, districts will not be laid off, school houses will not be built, the children will be uneducated, and the law—wisely intended, and calculated to lavish innumerable blessings upon the people of the State—will sink into contempt, and become a dead letter. If these observations are correct, they have ten-fold force when applied to the position of our own school law. After many changes—frequent and radical—the General Assembly, at its last session, having bestowed much labor upon it, enacted the present law, providing for the organization, support and government of common schools, which established a system of common school instruction, entirely new to us, and much more perfect in its adaptation to the peculiar wants and condition of the people of the State, in its principal features as well as in its details, than any former system. Several months, of necessity elapsed before this law was promulgated, and put into the hands of the people of the whole State; little more than a year elapsed before the general election was held, at which the members of the present Legislature were chosen, and when the people had the first opportunity after the passage of the law to express their opinion of it. It is true then, that the present system devised with so much care and labor, has been in actual operation but little more than a year, and your Committee are of the opinion that while the successful

operation of the system established by that law, in any portion of the State, is the best possible proof of its merit; its failure to secure within so brief a time a full organization, in other portions of the State, affords no argument against it.

Again, it is to be observed that this system now established, though new among us, is not untried elsewhere. In the great majority of the States of the Union, common school systems are already established; in some of the older States, they have been established for many years. We should be most unwise, if, in seeking to accomplish the same end, sought for years by others in other States, and by many with a noble success, we should reject all the lessons taught by their experience. Consulting then their experience, it is found to be the fact that there is no successful system established in any State of the Union, the fundamental principles of which, as well as the mass of its details, are not to a great extent identical with our own; and this is true not only as applied to the Northern and Eastern States, the population of which is dense, not subject, as ours, to constant change, and more fixed perhaps, in their modes of life and habits of thought, than the people of our State, but it is equally true as to several of the Western and Southern States, the population of which is sparse, and in their peculiar character and habits, identical with our own people.

It is to be remarked also, and is worthy of attention, that, as your Committee believe, in all, or an overwhelming majority of all those counties in this State, in which the existing common school system has gone into operation to any such extent as to test its value, it has been successful and has won the confidence and affection of the people, who seek to make no radical changes in it, and desire only to secure greater perfection by modifying a few of its details; and that it is only, or chiefly, in the counties in which it has not been established, the people of which have not as yet, through negligence or delay, availed themselves of its provisions, that there is any earnest desire to change it.

These facts seem with conclusions in favor of the present system, assuredly should lead us to pause before we undo all that has already been done.

Your Committee, with a knowledge of these facts—being well assured that the present system is in its general principles, as well as for the most part, in its details, well adapted to the wants of our people, and well calculated to promote the cause of common school education—after a careful examination of the law, and the various propositions to amend and alter it, think it their duty to recommend that no change be made in its principal features.

Your committee have prepared a number of amendments designed to supply defects pointed out by experience, in the details of the present law, and believe if adopted, they will have the effect of rendering the system more acceptable and more useful. The majority of the amendments recommended by the committee, will readily explain themselves and be understood, without special comment. It is deemed proper however to call your attention to one or two of the changes proposed.

Though some diversity of opinion has existed among the members of your committee, a large majority of them believe the office of Superintendent of Common Schools to be essential to the real and permanent success of the system. They therefore earnestly recommend its continuance.

They have also thought it best to recommend such a change in the existing law, as will require the Superintendent, who is wisely designed by the law to be one of the executive officers of the State, to hold his office, and reside at the seat of government. They have also recommended the adoption of such an amendment as will relieve the Superintendent of the duty now required of him, "to visit each county in the State, at least once during his term of office, and deliver public lectures upon subjects connected with common school education." This change is thought desirable for the reason, that it is physically impossible for the Superintendent to traverse the State, as he is now required to do, and at the same time discharges his other and more important official duties, and because your committee believe that if left to the exercise of his own discretion in this matter, the Superintendent will be able to accomplish as much, if not more, good in this direction than he can now accomplish.

Various propositions have been considered by the committee regarding the abolition of the office of County School Commissioner, and a change in the mode of appointing that officer. Your committee believe that the office of County School Commissioner is important to the system, that it was designed by the present law to supply by that office, to the county, what the Superintendent was intended to afford to the State—an officer well informed and competent, with sufficient power and corresponding responsibility and pay, who, within the district assigned him, should advise, direct, and control the operations of the law. Your committee believe that the amendments, proposed by them, will reconcile conflicting opinions on this subject, and will at the same time preserve an office which is a part of the system, essential in their judgment, to its complete success.

Your committee desire finally to recommend, in view of the fact that a number of petitions and bills have been referred to them contemplating legislation for particular counties and districts exempting them from the operation of the general school law, that unless, when it may be absolutely necessary to guard against abuse, or to relieve peculiar hardships, or difficulties, and thus provide for extreme cases, which no general law can reach, such laws, should not be passed.

If, as they believe, no Common School system can be successfully administered,—can command the confidence of the people, without which nothing worth the labor expended, can be hoped for—or can secure the State to any great extent, the objects sought to be accomplished by it, unless the laws controlling it are stable and permanent, not liable to sudden and unwise change,—the same general reasons which lead them to these conclusions, satisfy them also, that such laws should be uniform in their application and effect throughout the State. Almost any school system, however defective in principle and in detail, may be made to a great extent successful, when as is the case in this State, the people know its importance, appreciate the blessings which flow from it, and desire with one accord to secure them for themselves and their children, provided it is stable, permanent and uniform; and on the other hand, no system, however just in principle, however wisely adapted to the particular community and territory for which it is designed, and however perfected by experience, had succeed if these requisites are wanting.

Your committee respectfully recommend that the various bills which the petitions referred to them are herewith returned, be not passed. They further recommend that the accompanying amendments proposed by

them, and which will accomplish the objects proposed by many of the bills and petitions referred to them, be passed.

Your committee further recommend the passage of the accompanying act entitled, "an act instructing the Commissioner of the Permanent Seat of Government."

S. M. BRECKINRIDGE, Chairman.

ANSWER OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO HOUSE RESOLUTIONS, RELATING TO THE DEFALCATION OF THE LATE TREASURER OF THIS STATE.

OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL,
Jefferson City, February 26th, 1855. }

To the House of Representatives:

The following resolutions, adopted by the House of Representatives on the 22d instant, were submitted to me to-day:

Resolved, That the Attorney General be requested to present to this House, his opinion, in writing, going to show, whether or not he considers that the securities of the late Peter G. Glover, former Treasurer of this State, are released from their liability to the State on the official bonds of the late Peter G. Glover, former Treasurer of this State.

Resolved, That if the Attorney General shall give it as his opinion, that the securities of the late Peter G. Glover, former Treasurer of this State, are not released, he be required to commence suit in the name of the State, immediately, against said securities.

Resolved, That if the Attorney General shall be of the opinion, that said securities of said Glover, are not released, he be requested to furnish this House, in writing, with his opinion, and to inform this House, if any, and what further legislation is necessary, in order to bring a suit or suits against said securities to a successful result.

Upon the death of the late Treasurer, the Governor made an appointment, for the time being, of a suitable person to perform the duties of the office, until a successor could be appointed according to the Constitution. The General Assembly not being in session, he also selected and notified one member elected to the Senate, and two elected to the House of Representatives, to attend at the seat of government, for the purpose of settling the accounts of the late Treasurer, as provided by law. The persons so appointed settled his accounts, and made out duplicate certificates of the settlement, showing the balance of moneys, securities and effects for which his estate was accountable, and what had been delivered to his successor, one of which was delivered to the person entitled thereto, and the other to the Governor, and by him laid before the General Assembly at its next meeting. The General Assembly neither approved nor disapproved of the certificate of settlement. No other settlement was made, nor did the General Assembly cause proper entries to be made in the books of the Auditor and Treasurer, as required by law. Rev. Stat. 1866, Secs. 6 to 14.

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The only pretence, I suppose, upon which it can be contended that the securities are released, is, that the General Assembly did not approve or disapprove the certificate of settlement, and cause proper entries to be made in the books of the Auditor and Treasurer, "*at its next meeting.*" The law is simply directory. There is nothing in it prohibiting the approval or disapproval of the certificate of settlement, another settlement, or proper entries in the books of the Auditor and Treasurer, by a subsequent General Assembly. Nor is there anything in the nature of such a settlement to prevent it. If the certificate of settlement is not lost; all the means of information accessible to the first General Assembly, are within the reach of the present; and if lost, the present General Assembly are in no worse condition than the first would have been, if lost before they assembled. I am satisfied, therefore, that the securities are yet liable upon their bond. The statute of limitations does not run against the State, nor is *laches* imputable to it.

No action, however, can be maintained on the bond without evidence of a breach. The books of the Auditor and Treasurer, will show the amount chargeable to the account of the late Treasurer, but not the moneys, securities and effects in the treasury to answer that amount. This can alone be shown,—not by an examination of the books of the Auditor and Treasurer,—but by the examination of the moneys, securities and effects in the treasury itself, at the time of settlement, by the persons authorized by law to make it. No one else had the right to count the money, or examine the securities and effects, and no one else could know the amount. Their evidence alone, can show a breach of the bond. The law requires that evidence to be reduced to writing, and to be approved or disapproved by the General Assembly. The writing itself, so approved, is the best evidence of the breach; if lost, its contents; and will be called for by the law. The approval of the evidence is as necessary, as reducing it to writing. Both are alike required by law, and are alike essential to make it evidence. If the law had authorized a settlement without reducing it to writing, and without approval, the oral testimony of the persons appointed to make it, would have been admissible. Even if the subsequent approval had not been required, and the writing had been lost, the oral testimony would still have been admissible. But the securities are not bound by the settlement, unless made in conformity to law. It may be said, I know, that the breach of the bond does not consist in the evidence of it, but in actual deficiency of moneys, securities and effects in the treasury, to answer the amount chargeable to the account of the late Treasurer. But what is the deficiency worth, if it cannot be proved? The absence of evidence of it, would be as fatal to a suit on the bond, as the absence of the deficiency itself. It may also be said, I know, that the subsequent approval, was merely intended to protect the interest of the State. That it was so in part, I do not doubt, but it was also intended to secure an accurate result. The securities had no access by law, to the moneys, securities or effects in the treasury,—could not touch or count a dollar, and have as much right to call for a settlement, as authorized by law, as the State had to authorize it.

That the approval, therefore, by the General Assembly, of the settlement of the accounts of the late Treasurer, is necessary to sustain an action against his securities, I do not doubt. The joint resolution requiring the Attorney General to institute such action might be construed into

such approval; but to obviate difficulty, and place the matter beyond construction, I earnestly recommend that a joint committee, of one from the Senate and two from the House, be immediately appointed to investigate the matter; that the settlement heretofore made, be approved by the General Assembly, and proper entries caused to be made in the books of the Auditor and Treasurer, as required by law; and that a law be then passed authorizing the Attorney General to institute suit on the official bonds of the late Treasurer, against his securities.

Respectfully,

JAMES B. GARDENRIRE,
Attorney General.

**REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE QUESTION
WHETHER McDONALD COUNTY IS ENTITLED TO
BE REPRESENTED, &c.**

The Special Committee to whom was referred the question, "Whether the county of McDonald is entitled to representation in the present General Assembly," beg leave to report: That by an act approved 3d March, 1849, said county of McDonald was organized, and was to remain attached to the county of Newton until it should have sufficient population to entitle it to separate representation. According to the census of 1852, it has a population of 2719.

The ratio of representation ascertained in accordance with the amendments to the constitution, adopted session 1848-9. is 4527. By the same amendments, it is proposed that no county shall be entitled to separate representation unless the number of permanent free white inhabitants therein shall at the time be equal to three-fourths of the ratio of representation then being."

To entitle this county to a representation, it would consequently require a population of 3394. The Committee has had no means of ascertaining the present population of McDonald county. In 1852, it had a population of 2719. In May, 1853, on the question of locating the county seat, it gave—as the Committee is informed—upwards of 500 votes; and at the late August election, for the election of a member of Congress, it gave 452 votes—many persons resident of the county, as the Committee is informed, voting in the county of Newton. The presumption is consequently very strong, that it has a sufficient population.

The act organizing this county does not provide how the fact of sufficient population is to be ascertained. The decision of this question, it would appear, is left with the citizens of the county—which it seems they have decided by first abstaining from voting for the candidates residing in the county of Newton, and secondly, by holding an election and electing one of their own citizens to represent them in this house.

It appears that Burton McGhee, the person who claims the seat, was also clerk of the county court, and his certificate of election is signed by him as clerk. At first the Committee was of opinion that this could not be done, and that although the county might be entitled to representation, that this supposed illegal manner of certifying the fact would be fatal to

the claims of the person claiming a seat in this house under such a certificate; but on a further investigation, your Committee has come to the conclusion that there is nothing illegal in this way of proceeding.

Your Committee, from a hasty examination of the facts of this case, have come to the conclusion that the county of McDonald is fully entitled to be represented in this General Assembly, and that Burton McGhee, the claimant, is entitled to his seat.

LEWIS V. BOGY,
WM. S. MOSELEY,
W. A. McCLAIN.

Jefferson City, Dec. 28, 1854.

BURTON MCGHEE—REPORT OF JUDICIARY COMMITTEE.

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the claims of Burton McGhee to a seat in this House, beg leave to submit the following report, which for brevity, is in questions and answers:

First Question—Is the claimant, Burton McGhee, entitled to a seat in the present House of Representatives?

[A majority of the Committee are of the opinion that as Mr. McGhee was the clerk of the county court of McDonald county on the first Monday in August last, the day on which the voters of said county cast their votes for him, that he was not eligible to the place of representative;—that by the 11th section of the third article of the constitution of Missouri, a person holding the office of clerk of a court of record is not a person qualified to be voted for, that Mr. McGhee is, therefore, not entitled to a seat in the present House of Representatives.]

Second Question—Is the county of McDonald constitutionally entitled to a representation provided she has three-fourths of the ratio of 1852?

A majority of the Committee have instructed the Chairman to answer the question in the affirmative.

Third Question—Is the Committee satisfied that the county of McDonald has at this time three-fourths of that ratio?

A majority of the Committee have instructed the undersigned to answer this question also in the affirmative.

All of which is respectfully submitted by,

JO. DAVIS, *Chairman.*

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION—*Burton McGhee, Representative for McDonald County, Mo., Aug. Election, 1854.*

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
County of McDonald. } ss.

I, Burton McGhee, clerk of the county court for McDonald county, do hereby certify that at an election begun and held on the first Monday

of August, 1854, in the county of McDonald aforesaid, Burton McGhee received a plurality of all the votes polled in said county for Representative to the lower branch of the State Legislature, according to the official returns of said election made to my office.

In testimony whereof, I, B. McGhee, clerk of said court, have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my private seal, there being no official seal of said court yet provided. Done at my office in Rutledge, this 18th day of August, 1854.

Attest:

B. MCGHEE, *Clerk.*

By A. A. HENSLEY, *Deputy Clerk.*

JOHN G. OLIVER, *President.*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS, TO WHOM WAS REFERRED THE PAPERS IN THE CONTESTED ELECTIONS OF GOODLETT AGAINST BROWN, AND PALMER AGAINST BROWN.

The Committee on Elections, to whom were referred the papers of John A. Goodlett, contesting the right of B. Gratz Brown to a seat on this floor, as a Representative from St. Louis county, and also the papers of William Palmer, contesting the right of said Brown to the same seat, beg leave to submit the following report:

In the case of Goodlett, they find that said Goodlett, on the 15th day of September, 1854, gave notice to Brown that he would contest his election as a member of the House, assigning as grounds of contest, that errors were committed in the certified returns of the Judges and Clerks of the election in St. Louis county, to the Clerk of the County Court, setting forth in seven specifications, the errors committed. The same notice informs Brown that on the 16th day of September, the said Goodlett will proceed to take the depositions of witnesses to be used as evidence on his part, in the trial of their respective claims to a seat in this House, as a Representative from the said county of St. Louis.

Prior to said notice, on the 5th day of September, it seems from a paper presented to us, that said Brown and Goodlett entered into an agreement, mutually appointing four gentlemen as a Committee of reference, "who shall proceed in the presence of the Clerk of the County Court of St. Louis county, to count the votes cast at the late election, in the Sixth Ward of St. Louis city, and declare upon the completion of such count, the number of votes respectively received by said Brown and Goodlett for Representative in the Legislature of Missouri, in said Sixth Ward. It shall thereupon be optional for either the said Goodlett or the said Brown, within three hours after notice to them of the result of such count, to require a recount of the votes thrown at all the other precincts and wards of St. Louis city and county," and the said Committee were to declare which of the two received the more votes, they, the said Brown and Goodlett, agreeing to abide the action of a majority of the Committee.

The report of the Committee, (which is also before us,) shows that they proceeded to recount the votes of the Sixth Ward, as the same were

returned to the County Clerk's office, and that upon such count, it appeared that in said Sixth Ward, B. Gratz Brown received 704 votes, and John A. Goodlett received 699 votes. Brown thereupon demanded a count of the votes given in the remaining wards and precincts of St. Louis city and county; and the Committee, in proceeding to make said count, found that the votes from seven of the precincts, had not been returned to the Clerk's office. They however, proceeded to count the votes of the precincts that had been returned, and ascertained the votes of the precincts, the votes of which had not been returned by the official returns in the Clerk's office aforesaid; by which count and returns it appeared that Brown received 5285 votes, and Goodlett received 5296 votes, giving Goodlett a majority of eleven votes.

There are some depositions also presented to us, taken in pursuance of the notice above referred to, which, in substance, are as follows :

Josiah Thornburgh, the Clerk of the County Court of St. Louis county, states that he was present at the count of the votes made by the Committee appointed by Brown and Goodlett, and that he furnished all the ballots to be counted that were returned to his office, and that the ballots from all the precincts were not returned to his office. He made out his return to the Secretary of State, (by the assistance of two Justices of the Peace as required by law,) from the returns of the Judges and Clerks of the different election districts, by which it appeared that B. Gratz Brown received 5285 votes, and John A. Goodlett received 5273 votes. That the ballots from some of the precincts have never been returned, and that those that were returned were delivered to him in three or four days after the election, by the judges or clerks, except the ballots from the eleventh precinct, which were returned in two or three weeks after the election. Some of the ballots were returned in boxes, some of which boxes were locked, some nailed, and some not fastened at all. Some of the ballots were returned in bundles wrapped up, and from one precinct the ballots were fastened on a string. The ballots had never been handled since they were left in his office, until the Committee proceeded to count them.

Joseph A. Brazeaux, the deputy clerk of the St. Louis County Court, deposes only as to the fact of the safe keeping of the ballots that were returned to the clerk's office.

Charles A. Mantz, one of the committee appointed to count the ballots, states the same facts mentioned in the report of the committee.

George Trask, one of the Judges of the Fourth Ward election precinct, states that he was present at the counting, and assisting in making the count of the votes of the Fourth Ward, and after the count was made, the ballots were put in a box and carefully preserved, locked up and returned to the County Clerk's office.

John Keen, one of the Judges of the election in the Second Ward, states about the same facts with regard to the ballots of that Ward, that is stated by Mr. Trask in regard to the ballots of the Fourth Ward.

Sullivan Blood, one of the Judges of the election in the Third Ward, states that he was present during the counting of the votes in the Third Ward, that the ballots were preserved after the counting, and were put into a box, and returned in that box to the County Clerk by himself. The box was closed with pieces of paper put on it with a seal, and tied with a string around it, but is not certain whether it was so returned or not. He thinks

the box remained in his possession until it was returned to the County Clerk, and that it contained all the ballots cast in that Ward.

John Sexton, Sr., states that he was one of the Judges of the election of the Sixth Ward, and assisted in counting the votes cast in that Ward. After the counting was over, the ballots were placed on a string and put in the ballot box, and returned to the Clerk of the County Court, except four, which were put in double, and which were sealed up in paper, and did not count, because they were folded up together and handed in as one ballot. These four votes were democratic, and for Brown and Goodlett. The Judges brought the box down to the Clerk's office, and delivered it to the Deputy Clerk. The box contained all the ballots cast in that Ward. The box was not nailed. He was present when the box was fastened.

John H. Lightner, one of the committee appointed by Brown and Goodlett, states the same facts mentioned in the report of the committee.

Samuel A. Holmes states that the signatures of the committee to the report made by them are genuine. These are all the depositions produced before us, and the substance of the papers in the case of Goodlett.

The papers submitted in the case of William Palmer, contesting the seat of said Brown are a notice of contest. An agreement between the parties, and a petition to this House, the substance of which are as follows:

The notice states that the said Palmer contests the seat of said Brown, for the reason that he (Palmer) received a larger vote than Brown, and that owing to numerous mistakes and errors in counting the votes cast at the election, by the Judges and Clerks of the election, and by the Clerk of the County Court and the two Justices of the Peace, Brown appeared to receive more votes than he (Palmer) did, and the certificate of election was issued to Brown. The notice further states that Palmer is ready to investigate the matters and things in relation to the election. This notice is dated September 14th, 1854, signed by William Palmer, and notice thereof accepted by Brown on the same day.

The agreement between Brown and Palmer, dated September 14th, 1854, stipulates 1st: That the parties will waive and dispense with the taking of formal depositions and admit in evidence before a committee, appointed by them, and before this House, all the ballots, tallies, certificates, returns, poll books and other proceedings of the Judges and Clerks of the respective election district. 2d. That they appoint a committee (who are named in the agreement,) who shall examine into, count, compare, cast up, and ascertain the whole number of votes given for said Brown and Palmer respectively. 3d. That said committee, after completing their examination, shall give a certificate under their hands and attested by the seal of the Clerk of the County Court of the whole number of votes cast for said Brown and Palmer. 4th. If it shall appear that Palmer is elected instead of Brown, then Brown will relinquish his seat to said Palmer, so far as he has any right to relinquish, and the certificate given may be read in evidence before this House.

The petition of Palmer to the House of Representatives, states that Palmer contests the seat of Brown, for the reason that he received more votes than said Brown, and alleges that numerous mistakes and errors were made by the Judges and Clerks of the election, and the Clerk of the County Court, and the two Justices of the Peace in counting and casting up the votes given at the election. That said Brown has consented to waive the formalities of mere technical evidence in the case, and there-

upon, a demand was made upon the Clerk of the County Court of St. Louis county, in order that the ballots cast at the election might be recounted, but the Clerk refused to permit a recount of the ballots in this case, stating that part of the ballots had been destroyed or not returned to his office and that the balance had been placed under seal in giving a deposition to be used in the trial of a contested seat in the Senate between Hudson E. Bridge and James A. Rogers and that by this means the said Palmer was debarred of his just rights in the premises. The petition further states that he, Palmer, was certified, as having the next highest number of votes to said Brown, and more than any one else, and that on examination of a portion of the ballots one error of twenty votes to his disadvantage was discovered, which alone would have entitled him to the seat now held by said Brown, and would give him a larger vote than that claimed by said Brown or any one else contesting his seat.

The petition asks that the contest may be examined into, heard and determined according to justice, and all the papers submitted by Palmer.

The Committee in attempting to decide the case have met with several difficulties:

1st. The statute provides a mode for taking depositions in cases of contested elections, and the question is, can this mode be departed from by an agreement between the parties in contest by a waiver of the formalities prescribed by law, and a waiver of the rights which belong to the constituents and not to the contestants.

2d. Only one cause, to-wit: the illegality of votes given in the election is provided for in the statute, as a ground of contest in regard to which depositions can be taken.

3d. If the agreement between Brown and Goodlett can be received in evidence, and is binding, then, it appears that the agreement was only partially performed, all of the ballots not having been counted as was agreed upon, for the reason that the ballots cast at seven of the precincts were destroyed or never returned, and the parties did not agree upon any other mode for ascertaining the result in those precincts.

4th. If the agreement is good, as between Goodlett and Brown, it is equally binding as between Palmer, the other contestant, and Brown, and the contest in this case is also placed upon the ground of receiving the most votes, and the failure to count as agreed upon, resulted from the refusal of the County Clerk to permit the ballot and poll books to be counted.

5th. The manner of voting in St. Louis city and county is by ballot, and the law regulating the same does not require the ballots to be carefully preserved and returned to the County Clerk's office, and if not required to be returned, can they be received in evidence.

6th. The Constitution of the State provides that each House shall be the judge of the election returns and qualifications of its own members, and this in case, Brown having received the certificate of election upon the returns made to the County Clerk's office, is *prima facie* entitled to his seat, but this certificate can be set aside by the House upon a proper showing that he is not so entitled.

Presenting these points of difficulty, the Committee ask to be instructed thereon, and if necessary, have power to send for persons and papers that the matters of contest may be more thoroughly inquired into. All the papers are herewith returned to the House.

E. B. JEFFRESS, *For a majority of the Committee.*

**MINORITY REPORT ON CONTESTED ELECTION—GOODLETT
vs. BROWN.***To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:*

The undersigned, members of the Committee on Elections, to whom was referred the claim of John A. Goodlett to the seat in this House, occupied by B. Gratz Brown, as a Representative from the county of St. Louis, report:

That the said Brown and Goodlett, entered into a written agreement, under which they appointed a committee of four, consisting of Francis P. Blair, John H. Lightner, Charles A. Mantz and John B. Cunningham, who, with the Clerk of the County Court, should recount the vote received by Goodlett and Brown, each, in the Sixth Ward, where there was alleged to be error in the certified returns of the vote of the said ward, leaving it optionary with either party, upon giving notice to the other, in three hours after the recount of the Sixth Ward vote, to have the vote of the other wards and precincts also recounted; the parties binding themselves to abide by such recount of said committee. Under which agreement, the committee recounted the votes of Goodlett and Brown, in the presence of the Clerk of the County Court, which votes had been returned to the County Clerk's office.

This recount showed the certified votes of the Sixth Ward of St. Louis city, to have been erroneous in this, that the certified return of said vote, gave Brown 707 votes, when in fact, he had received only 704 votes; and the certified return gave Goodlett 689 votes, when in fact, he received 699 votes, showing Goodlett to have received ten votes more than certified in the return, and Brown three votes less than certified in the return, making a difference of thirteen votes in favor of Goodlett, and electing him over Brown, by a majority of one vote.

After the committee had reported, on their recount of the votes cast in the Sixth Ward for Goodlett and Brown, and had made their decision in favor of Goodlett, Brown demanded a further recount. The committee accordingly proceeded, and recounted the votes cast in all the wards and precincts of the county, the ballots of which had been returned to the County Clerk's office, comprising the whole vote of the county, except of a few small precincts, from which no ballots had been returned, and of which precincts, the certified vote was taken as correct.

By this recount, further errors were found in the certified vote, which are set out in the report of said committee, and the papers and depositions before us in this case, which shows Goodlett to be entitled to twenty-three more votes than he was certified to have received, making his aggregate vote 5,296, and Brown's 5,285, the same as his certified vote, by which it appears that Goodlett has a majority of eleven votes over Brown.

All the above facts stated in the report of said committee, who made the recount, are also proved by depositions, taken in compliance with law, providing for contested elections, showing the same errors in the certified returns, as stated in said report, and the vote of Goodlett to be 5,296, and Brown's 5,285, showing that Goodlett had a majority of eleven votes over Brown.

The depositions of the judges of election, in those wards and precincts, in the certified returns of which errors were discovered by said committee, were before your committee, establishing the fact that the identical vote received by Goodlett and Brown, were safely preserved, and never out of their possession until returned to the County Clerk's office; also depositions of the County Clerk and his deputy, showing that the said votes, when so returned to the County Clerk's office, were safely locked up, and never handled, until delivered by the Clerk to said committee, to be by them recounted, in his presence; also, depositions of the committee showing the facts, as stated in their report, and the true vote received by Goodlett and Brown, respectively. All of which depositions and the notices for taking the same, and the said written agreement, and the said report of the committee making the recount, as well as other papers before your committee, belonging to this case, are made part of this report.

The facts and evidences above set forth, establish, in the opinion of the said members of your committee, the right of Mr. Goodlett to the seat occupied by Mr. Brown, and they so report.

A. G. BLAKEY,
J. R. CROSSWHITE,
T. W. WHITAKER.

MINORITY REPORT ON CONTESTED ELECTION—PALMER vs. BROWN.

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

The undersigned, members of the Committee on Elections, to whom was referred the claim of William Palmer to the seat in this House occupied by B. Gratz Brown, as a Representative from the county of St. Louis, report:

That Palmer gave notice to Brown, that he intended to contest his seat in the House of Representatives, and that Brown waived all informalities and technicalities in respect to notices, proofs and modes of ascertaining the facts involved in the issue between them. But there was no evidence before the committee showing, or tending to show, that the certified returns of votes cast for Palmer, were erroneous in any respect, or that he is entitled to a seat in this House.

A. G. BLAKEY,
J. R. CROSSWHITE,
T. W. WHITAKER.

REPORT
OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE SECOND ANNUAL FAIR
OF THE
MISSOURI STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY,
Held
UPON THE FAIR GROUNDS, NEAR THE CITY OF BOONVILLE, ON THE 2d, 3d, 4th,
5th, 6th AND 7th DAYS OF OCTOBER, 1854; TO WHICH ARE PREFIXED
THE ACT OF INCORPORATION, AND THE CONSTITUTION AND
BY-LAWS OF THE SOCIETY; WITH OTHER PROCEED-
INGS PERTAINING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT AND
CONTROL OF SAID SOCIETY. COMPILED
AND ARRANGED BY
BY JOSEPH L. STEPHENS, RECORDING SECRETARY.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

MR. SPEAKER: The committee to whom was referred so much of the Governor's Message as relates to Agriculture, make report that they have had the subject under consideration, and cordially unite with our excellent Governor in recommending to the General Assembly a liberal encouragement to all Agricultural and Mechanical improvements.

Representing, as we do, a constituency whose chief interest is based upon labor and the cultivation of the soil, we cannot mistake our mission here, while devising such wise measures as are calculated to promote those great interests that lie at the base and constitute the solid foundations of our State and National wealth; and, while we would draw no invidious distinctions between the various useful occupations of our citizens, it cannot be controverted, that no American pursuit can long flourish if Agriculture, the mother of them all, should languish. When the mother is well, she dispenses with plenteous flow to all her children the appropriate food which her teeming breasts supply. Of the numerous train of Ceres, few are found in these Halls; and we fear that their humble and patient cares, given to the tending of flocks and herds upon our thousand hills, or turning the stubborn glebe of the valley, is too often forgotten, because of their necessary absence.

"Let not ambition mock their useful toil."

It is cheering to the sons of Agriculture, who recline with fond assurance upon her lap of plenty, to know that the State of Missouri has not altogether forgotten that filial duty which a young and vigorous son, in early manhood, pays to his still youthful and blooming mother.

One of Missouri's most distinguished sons and best friend of Agriculture, (Hon. Jas. L. Minor,) in a speech delivered before the Missouri State Agricultural Society, at its annual meeting in October, 1854, said: "Our great art is progressive. It is eminently so. It is moving with the stride and step of a giant. Chemistry, its youngest and best beloved daughter, is bringing its rich gifts with wild profusion, and filial fondness. Science and learning now find their noblest fields of operation in the materials that they draw from the earth, and the demands of fertility they return to their bosom. The arts acknowledge her as their bounteous mother, and a beautiful connection of mutual dependence and support

is established between the science of Agriculture and the kindred sciences of the earth.

But while that is the present condition of husbandry, it becomes a condition of prime necessity, that we should be prepared to take advantage of its progress. The farmers of the country must keep pace with its Agricultural improvement. *The day is fast approaching when we must be educated for our great occupation."*

We hope, through the instrumentality of the State Agricultural Society, with the coöperation of the various county societies, and by liberal legislation, to improve our system of education in such manner as to place Agriculture on the same footing with other professions, which, in the course of time not remote, will fill our beloved State with a large class of highly educated and practical farmers.

The State Agricultural Society was established by act of 24th of February, 1853. The friends of the measure then promised as results likely to follow :

1st. Improvement of our stock.

2d. Improvement of our Agricultural implements.

3d. The knowledge we gain of the best manures for our lands, the adaptation of our soils to our different staples, and the best method of their culture.

4th. The increased quantity, of quality, and variety of fruits and flowers.

As an evidence of the realization of much of what was promised, your Committee point with pride to the awakened interest in the cause of Agriculture, which is shed abroad in our land. The rapid increase in the number of county societies since the founding of the State Agricultural Society, must strike the dullest mind.

Why is this increase? Because, at the State Fairs, annually held at the city of Boonville, in the pleasant month of October, are collected a large concourse of farmers and liberal minded gentlemen of all professions, from all parts of the State, and though they do not bring to the fair from remote parts a large number of articles for exhibition, by which the occasion is rendered attractive, yet they take from the altar of incense, a spark of fire there preserved in vestal purity, and rekindle it at the domestic shrine. Then, lo! a sisterhood of county societies stand forth in generous emulation with each other, in a competition where to be named as a competitor, though unsuccessful, is an honor to be sought for.

A tabular statement of the condition of the State and various county Agricultural and Mechanical associations, as far as the same have been reported to your Committee, is hereto annexed and made part of this report.

Questions have been submitted to your Committee, touching the propriety of rendering the State Fairs migratory, and of districting the State so as to hold State Fairs in each during the same year. Your Committee are of opinion that it would be unwise to remove the State Fair from the city of Boonville, at present, and while our system of Agricultural improvement is yet in its infancy. It is an evidence of the success of the State Society, thus far, that it is an object of solicitude to *secure its location in a large number of localities*, and in default of its location, that it be rendered migratory. Your Committee are of opinion that the time will come, when other points not central to the State may be chosen for auxi-

iary or branch fairs, but so long as a Central Fair shall, as heretofore, be held with annually increasing numbers and interest, the central organization should not be broken up. While this is so, it is proper to encourage the great cause throughout the land in every locality by a proper encouragement of county associations. In this particular, your Committee are pleased to remark that the legislation of this session has already applied a suitable encouragement, by appropriating a small sum annually to aid the various county societies. Your Committee are of opinion that this sum may, in time, very properly be added to, under certain terms and restrictions.

That the State Fair should not have had additional aid is a cause of regret; but that regret is alleviated by the consideration above cited, and the establishing of a State Chemist for the analysis of soils, in connection with the Geological Survey.

J. LOCKE HARDEMAN, *Chairman.*

CHARTER OF THE MISSOURI STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Pursuant to previous notice, the Board of Directors of the Missouri State Agricultural Society, met at the banking house of William H. Trigg, in the city of Boonville, on the twenty-second day of June, eighteen hundred and fifty-three; when, upon the call of the roll, the following named officers were present:

M. M. MARMADUKE, of Saline, *President*.

NATH'L LEONARD , of Cooper, DABNEY C. GARTH , of Randolph, ROLAND HUGHES , of Howard, JAS. L. ANDERSON , of Callaway,	}	<i>Vice Pres'ts</i>
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JAMES L. MINOR, of Cole, *Cor. Sec'y*.

WM. H. TRIGG, of Cooper, *Treasurer*.

JO. L. STEPHENS, of Cooper, *Rec. Sec'y*.

The President arose, and in a few brief and pertinent remarks stated the objects for which the meeting was convened.

The act of the General Assembly, incorporating the Society, was then read, and unanimously accepted by the Board; which said act is as follows:

AN ACT to incorporate the Missouri State Agricultural Society.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

§ 1. There is hereby established and incorporated a society, to be known and designated by the name and style of the Missouri State Agricultural Society, and by that name and style shall have perpetual succession, and by the name and style aforesaid shall have power to contract and be contracted with, to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, defend and be defended, in all courts and places, and in all matters whatsoever; and shall in like manner have authority to have and use a common seal, and the same at their pleasure to change and alter, and may also make, ordain, establish and put in execution such by-laws, ordinances, rules and regulations as shall be proper and necessary for the good government of said Society, and the prudent and efficient management of its affairs; *Provided*, that said by-laws, ordinances, rules and regulations shall not be contrary to any provision of this charter, nor to the laws and constitution of this State, or of the United States.

§ 2. In addition to the powers above enumerated, the Society shall, by its name and style aforesaid, have power to purchase and hold any quantity

of land not exceeding twenty acres, and may sell and dispose of the same at pleasure. The said real estate shall be held by said Society for the sole purpose of erecting enclosures, buildings and other improvements calculated and designed for the meeting of the Society, and for an exhibition of various breeds of horses, cattle, mules and other stock, and of agricultural, mechanical and domestic manufactures and productions, and for no other purposes. And it is further enacted, that if from any cause said Society shall ever be dissolved, or fail to meet within the period of five consecutive years, then the real estate held by it, together with all the buildings and appurtenances belonging to said real estate, shall be sold as lands are now sold by execution, and the proceeds deposited in the State treasury, subject to the control of the General Assembly.

§ 8. An annual meeting of the members of the Society shall be held on the first Monday in October, annually, at the city of Boonville.

§ 4. The fiscal, prudential and other concerns of the Society shall be under the control and management of a president and seven vice presidents, a corresponding secretary and a treasurer, to be styled a board of directors, who shall be elected at the annual meeting of the members of said Society. The said officers shall hold their offices for one year, and until their successors are duly chosen, and shall have power to fill all vacancies in said board that may happen during their period of office.

§ 5. For the purpose of carrying into effect this act, M. M. Marmaduke, of Saline county, is hereby appointed president of this Society; James S. Rollins, of Boone county, Nathaniel Leonard, of Cooper county, Dabney C. Garth, of Randolph county, Roland Hughes, of Howard county, James C. Anderson, of Callaway county, Camm Seay, of Osage county, vice presidents; James L. Minor, of Cole county, corresponding secretary; Joseph L. Stephens, of Cooper county, recording secretary, and Wm. H. Trigg, of Cooper county, treasurer; who shall call the first meeting of the Society at the city of Boonville, and who are hereby authorized to solicit and receive subscriptions to said Society, as hereinafter specified.

§ 6. The members of this Society shall be composed of such persons as shall pay the sum of five dollars annually to the treasurer, and such persons shall be members only for the year for which they shall have thus paid the amount aforesaid.

§ 7. The members of the Society, by a majority of the votes present, shall determine in what amount, and on what subjects the funds of the Society shall be awarded as premiums at the exhibition succeeding their meeting, of which notice shall be given in some newspaper printed in the city of Boonville, and in such other papers as the Society shall determine.

§ 8. There is hereby appropriated from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of one thousand dollars annually, for the space of four years, to be paid on or before the first day of October of each year, to the treasurer of said Society, on a requisition on the Auditor of Public Accounts, signed by the President and Recording Secretary of said Society, which said sum shall be used only for the purpose of paying premiums, and for no other purposes whatsoever. And it shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to deposit in the Auditor's office a statement annually, of the expenditures of said Society.

§ 9. No compensation shall be allowed to any officers of this Society

for their services, except to the Corresponding Secretary for his actual expenses, and to the Recording Secretary; and the amount allowed to the latter shall, in no case exceed thirty dollars per annum; and no part of such compensation shall be taken from the fund appropriated by the State.

§ 10. The Society may, by a majority of the votes present, at any annual meeting, prescribe the duties of, and require bond and security from any of its officers.

§ 11. In case of the failure or inability to serve, of any of the persons mentioned in the fifth section of this act, the Governor is hereby authorized to appoint some suitable person or persons to fill the vacancy or vacancies thus occasioned; and the said persons herein named, or those appointed as above mentioned, shall not be required to pay their subscription of five dollars, before they shall have authority to act in the organization of this Society.

This act to take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved February 24, 1853.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

This Society shall be known and designated by the name and style of "The Missouri State Agricultural Society."

ARTICLE II.

The objects of this Society are, the development of agriculture, including not only the great staples of industry and trade, but also fruits, vegetables, and ornamental gardening; the promotion of the mechanic arts, in all their branches, the improvement of the races of all useful and domestic animals; the general advancement of rural economy and household manufactures, and the dissemination of useful information on those subjects.

ARTICLE III.

The ordinary method of accomplishing these objects, at present and until the further order of the Society, shall be, by fairs for the exhibition and sale of all such articles as receive the attention of the Society, and by the periodical award of premiums to such as upon fair and public competition shall appear worthy to receive them.

ARTICLE IV.

If, at the annual meeting in October, the Society shall fail or neglect to determine, in what amount, and on what subjects the funds of the Society shall be awarded as premiums, as provided for in the 7th section of the act of incorporation, then it shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to meet in the city of Boonville, for these purposes on the first Monday of May, in the next succeeding year.

ARTICLE V.

The entire management of the affairs of the Society, except during the sessions of the Society itself, shall be confided to a Board of Directors which shall consist of the President and seven Vice Presidents, a Corresponding Secretary and the Treasurer.

ARTICLE VI.

The members of the Society shall, at their annual meetings, elect from among the members of the Society a President, seven Vice Presidents, a Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary and a Treasurer, each to serve till the next election: vacancies to be filled in these offices by the Board of Directors, and these officers so elected to perform the duties of

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the offices they hold, and such as shall be specified from time to time by the Society or the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VII.

Every member of the Society shall have the right without additional contribution of money, to compete at all the fairs and exhibitions of the Society, with articles of which he may be the real owner. No one but the real owner shall exhibit anything for competition.

ARTICLE VIII.

At all the fairs and exhibitions of the Society, all premiums and prizes shall be awarded by committees appointed by the Society, or Board of Directors. They shall be given only for such objects and articles as have been previously and sufficiently advertised. Discretionary premiums may be awarded by a majority of the Board of Directors. And the award of every committee, when made public by it, shall be final.

ARTICLE IX.

The Society shall have power to make any by-laws for the regulation of the Society or its management, that they may deem necessary and proper, not inconsistent with this Constitution, or the charter of this Society.

ARTICLE X.

This Constitution may be altered or amended, at any annual meeting, by a proposition made in writing, and adopted by a majority of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS.

PRESIDENT.

§ 1. The President of the Society shall preside at all meetings of the Board, in his absence the senior Vice President present shall preside, and in the absence of all the Vice Presidents and President, a Chairman shall be appointed.

RECORDING SECRETARY.

§ 1. The Recording Secretary shall attend the meetings of the Board, and keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the Board and of the Society, and shall, upon the request of the Board or the presiding officer, furnish copies of any portion thereof.

§ 2. All the records, documents, reports and other papers of the Society, except such as belong to the office of Treasurer, shall be securely kept by him, and shall at all times be open to the inspection of any member of the Board.

§ 3. He shall register in a book to be kept for that purpose, the name of every member of the Society.

§ 4. He shall give timely notice of the time and place of the meetings of the Society and also of the Board, whenever called meetings of the Board are ordered.

§ 5. He shall at every fair enroll under its appropriate department, the name of every person, competing for a premium, and the kind of article exhibited therefor, and shall in the same book record the decision of the awarding committee.

§ 6. He may be removed at any time by vote of a majority of the Board.

§ 7. He shall deliver to his successor all the records, documents, reports, and other papers and property of the Society.

§ 8. He may appoint such assistant secretaries to aid him, as he may desire, at the Fairs of the Society.

TREASURER.

§ 1. All the money of the Society shall be committed to his safe keeping, and all money due to the Society shall be collected and accounted for by him, and shall be paid out upon, and according to the order of the Board.

§ 2. He shall keep an accurate account of all receipts and disbursements, and shall at least once a year, and oftener if required, settle his accounts with the Board, this settlement to be submitted to the Society at its annual meetings.

§ 3. He shall deliver to his successor in office all the books, moneys, and papers of the Society in his possession, and may be removed at the pleasure of the Board.

GENERAL PROVISIONS.

§ 1. The Board of Directors may expel any member from the Society, for rude, or disorderly, or ungentlemanly behavior at any of its fairs or meetings.

§ 2. Spiritous liquor shall not be sold or drank upon the grounds of the fair.

§ 3. There shall be appointed by the Board of Directors, two or more Marshals, whose duty it shall be to superintend the exhibition of stock, preserve order, and see that all stock and other articles entered for exhibition are put in the places designed for the same.

§ 4. Every article or animal upon the grounds of the fair, shall, during the continuance of the fair, be under the control of the Board.

§ 5. No loose animal shall be admitted into or remain upon the open grounds of the Society, during a fair, except by consent of the Board.

§ 6. No article or animal shall compete for a premium unless the fact be made known to the Recording Secretary, before 10 o'clock, A. M., on the day of its exhibition.

§ 7. No aged animal that has taken a premium from this Society, shall afterwards compete for a premium.

§ 8. No barren animal shall compete with one that breeds.

§ 9. No premium shall be awarded, where but one animal or article is exhibited, unless the awarding committee shall be of opinion that the animal or article, as the case may be, is worthy of a premium.

§ 10. Pedigrees, with the ages and names of the stock exhibited, if attainable, shall be handed to the Recording Secretary, and shall be accessible to the awarding committee, before the exhibition, but shall not be made known to others until after the premium is awarded.

§ 11. No one shall act on awarding committee, when related to a person competing for a premium.

§ 12. At the close of each day's exhibition, the President shall make public proclamation of the premiums awarded.

§ 13. The President shall, after each fair, make to the Board a report in full of the premiums awarded, which report, with such other matters as the Board may order, shall be published.

§ 14. The Board shall annually appoint some person to deliver at some time during the fair, an address connected with the objects of the Society.

§ 15. Articles exhibited for premiums shall be exhibited by numbers, of which the Secretary shall keep a register.

§ 16. The owner of the stock shall hand to the groom of any animal, a memorandum of the age of such animal, to be delivered to the awarding committee when offered for exhibition.

§ 17. There shall be elected by the Society, at each annual meeting not less than three, nor more than seven Judges, to award premiums to the different kinds of Stock, and other articles offered for exhibition. Provided, that any person who may be a judge, and may himself be an exhibitor, shall not act in that particular case; and, if the remaining judges cannot agree, the Directors shall select some one to supply the vacancy, for the time being.

§ 18. The Treasurer shall appoint a gate-keeper, and such assistants as may be necessary, whose duty it shall be to receive all tolls from persons going into the grounds, as they may be instructed by the Treasurer,

and report and pay over the amounts received at the close of each day, and take the Treasurer's receipt therefor. The said gate-keepers shall be allowed for their services such sums as may be stipulated.

§ 19. No persons other than the Marshals, Secretaries, Awarding Committees, and grooms in charge of the stock, shall be allowed to go into the ring when the stock and other articles are being exhibited.

§ 20. No person shall be permitted to exhibit any stock for premium, of which he is not the owner or breeder, nor any other article, whether of machinery, agricultural implement, manufacture or other thing, exhibited for premium, unless the exhibitor be the producer, manufacturer or inventor thereof—any person violating this rule shall be liable to be expelled from the Society by the Directory.

§ 21. No person shall be permitted to enter the ring to exhibit his own stock in person; and any person violating this rule shall not receive a premium.

§ 22. The annual contribution of members shall be due at the time of subscribing.

§ 23. Entries of growing crops, must be made as follows, to-wit: Wheat, Rye, and Oats on or before the first July; Hemp and Tobacco, on or before the tenth day of August; and Corn, on or before the last day of the Fair in each year.

§ 24. No animal will be permitted to compete for more than one premium at the same fair.

§ 25. No cow, bull, jack, jennett, mare, or stallion four years old or upwards, shall be permitted to compete for a premium unless it has proven itself a breeder.

§ 26. No hog that has taken a premium in this Society, shall compete again after one year of age; and no sheep that has taken a premium as a yearling, shall afterwards compete in this Society.

OFFICE OF THE MISSOURI STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY,
BOONVILLE, MISSOURI, October 1864. }

REPORT

OF

PREMIUMS AND CERTIFICATES AWARDED

AT THE SECOND FAIR OF THE

MO. STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY,

HELD UPON THE FAIR GROUNDS, NEAR THE CITY OF BOONVILLE, ON MONDAY,
TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, THE 2ND, 3RD,
4TH, 5TH AND 6TH DAYS OF OCTOBER, 1864.

FIRST DAY.

ORCHARD.

Awarding Committee—Captain E. Stanley, of Cooper; Thomas F. Houston, of Pettis; Chas. D. Eitzen, of Gasconade; Dr. A. L. Shortridge, of Cooper.

- Apples—display good varieties, ten entries: George Hussman, of Gasconade, premium,..... \$5 00
J. Mullinckrodt, St. Charles, certificate.
- Apples—variety not less than a peck, six entries: M. P. Leintz, Boone, premium,..... 2 50
J. H. Sampson, Boone, certificate.
- Pears—display of good varieties, nine entries: M. P. Leintz, Boone, premium,..... 5 00
J. Mullinckrodt, St. Charles, certificate.
- Pears—variety not less than a peck, one entry: M. P. Leintz, Boone, premium,..... 2 00
- Peaches—display of good varieties, three entries: Julius Mullinckrodt, St. Charles, premium,..... 5 00
M. P. Leintz, Boone, certificate.
- Peaches—dozen of any variety, five entries: David Ballantine, Cooper, premium,..... 2 50
George W. West, Cooper, certificate.
- Plums—display of good varieties, no entries.
- Plums—dozen, three entries: Geo. Hussman, Gasconade, premium 1 00
George W. West, Cooper, certificate.
- Grapes—display of hardy varieties; M. Porschel, Gasconade, premium..... 5 00
George Hussman, Gasconade, certificate.
- Grapes—display of varieties, under glass, no entries.

- Grapes—best bunch on single stem, three entries: M. Porschel, Gasconade, premium,..... \$1 00
George Hussman, Gasconade, certificate.
Wine—Missouri raised, six entries: Wm. Haas, Cooper, premium 10 00
M. Porschel, Gasconade, certificate.

GARDEN.

Awarding Committee.—Thomas Selby, of Boone; R. Errickson, of Howard; George S. Cockrell, of Cooper; Julius Mullinckrodt, of St. Charles.

- Cabbage—six heads, drum, four entries: R. McFarland, Cooper, premium,..... 2 50
Rollin Lyman, Cooper, certificate.
Cabbage—six heads, flat Dutch, one entry: H. M. Myers, Cooper, premium,..... 2 50
Potatoes—Irish, largest yield of half an acre, no entry.
Potatoes—Irish, largest display of good varieties, two entries: H. M. Myers, Cooper, premium,..... 5 00
M. J. Tucker, Cooper, certificate.
Potatoes—sweet, best display of good varieties, four entries: D. Byler, Cooper, premium,..... 5 00
M. J. Tucker, Cooper, certificate.
Turnips—twelve for table, two entries: J. H. Sampson, Boone, premium,..... 2 50
M. J. Tucker, Cooper, certificate.
Beets—twelve for table, three entries: Mrs. Eliza Givens, Cooper, premium,..... 2 50
Mrs. John Combs, Cooper, certificate.
Parsnips—twelve for table, one entry: H. M. Myers, Cooper, premium, 2 50
Onions—one peck, two entries: Mrs. Eliza Givens, Cooper, prem. 2 50
Mrs. Ann Gibson, Cooper, certificate.
Celery—doz. bunches, one entry: H. M. Myers, Cooper, prem. 2 50
Salsify—doz. bunches, two entries: H. M. Myers, Cooper, prem. 2 50
Mrs. E. G. Thornton, Henry, certificate.
Carrots—doz., one entry: H. M. Myers, Cooper, premium,.... 2 50
Vegetables—best and greatest variety raised by exhibitor, two entries: H. M. Myers, Cooper, premium,..... 5 00
Mrs. C. H. F. Greenlease, Cooper, certificate.

DAIRY.

Awarding Committee.—George W. Cooke, of Cooper; M. P. Laintz, of Boone; J. R. Estell, of Howard; M. W. O'Bannon, of Saline; H. M. Myers, Cooper.

- Butter—firkin at least 20 lbs., made before 1st Aug., six entries: Mrs. C. Harness, Cooper, premium... 8 00
Mrs. John Combs, Cooper, certificate.
Butter—five pounds, seven entries: Mrs. E. G. Thornton, Henry, premium, 3 00
Mrs. John Combs, Cooper, certificate.
Cheese—at least 10 lbs., one entry: A. D. Lawton, Saline, prem. 5 00
Honey—at least 5 lbs., two entries: Mrs. C. Keill, Cooper, prem. 2 50
Mrs. E. G. Thornton, Henry, certificate.

Pickles—twenty-five entries: Mrs. Alexander Tucker, Cooper, premium,	\$2 50
Mrs. B. S. Wilson, Cooper, certificate.	
Preserves—twelve entries: Mrs. Joseph Ellis, Cooper, premium,	2 50
Mrs. John Porter, Cooper, certificate.	
Strawberries—at least a pint, two entries: Mrs. Ann Gibson, Cooper, premium,	2 50
Mrs. T. W. Sampson, Boone, certificate.	
Raspberries—at least a pint, no entry.	
Bread—loaf light, wheat, six entries: Mrs. C. Keill, Cooper, premium,	1 00
Mrs. J. R. Lionberger, Cooper, certificate.	
Bread—loaf corn, five entries: Mrs. David Bailantine, Cooper, premium,	1 00
Mrs. John Porter, Cooper, certificate.	
Ham—cooked, six entries: Mrs. M. P. Leintz, Boone, premium,	5 00
Mrs. John Slack, Boone, certificate.	
Ham—uncooked, nine entries: Mrs. Bennett C. Clark, Cooper, premium,	5 00
Mrs. R. R. Thompson, Cooper, certificate.	

FLOWERS.

<i>Awarding Committee.</i> —G. G. Schoolfield, of Columbia; George W. Cooke, of Boonville; I. B. Williams, of Callaway; Wm. W. Howe, of St. Louis; Ephraim Abbott, of St. Louis; John Miller, of Howard.	
Flowers—display in crocks, &c., two entries: John Thorburn, St. Louis, premium,	5 00
John Thorburn, St. Louis, certificate.	
Boquet—handsomest, three entries: Miss Bena Spahr, Cooper, premium,	2 50
Miss Ella Greenlease, Cooper, certificate.	
Cut Flowers—design for, no entry.	
Cut Flowers—display of, no entry.	
Dahlias—display of, no entry.	

PAINTINGS AND DRAWINGS.

<i>Awarding Committee.</i> —G. G. Schoolfield, of Columbia; D. W. Grissum, of St. Louis; C. L. Loomis, of Boonville; Wm. Musgrove, of Lexington; J. L. Hughes, of Howard.	
Pencil Sketch—by a lady, eight entries: Mrs. G. C. Swallow, Boone, premium,	5 00
Mrs. F. T. Kemper, of Boonville Male Collegiate Institute, certificate.	
Painting by a lady, seven entries: Mrs. Geo. W. Cooke, Cooper, premium,	5 00
Miss O. Shepperd, Howard, certificate.	

FLOUR AND MEAL.

<i>Awarding Committee.</i> —J. H. Robinson, of Montgomery; B. S. Wilson, of Cooper; Reuben Overton, of Chariton; S. L. Hughes, of Howard; Wm. Rankin, of Cooper.	
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Wheat Flour—barrel, two entries: M. Staley & Co., Boone, premium, \$5.00
 M. Staley & Co., Boone, certificate.
 Rye Flour—no entry.
 Buckwheat Flour—no entry.
 Meal—barrel, two entries: M. Staley & Co., Boone, premium, \$2.50
 S. S. Seat, Cooper, certificate.
HEDGES AND ENCLOSURES—OSAGE ORANGE
 Osage Orange—one year old, best of mile, five entries: W. E. Jamison, Cooper, premium, \$5.00
 Wm. J. Campbell, Cooper, certificate.
 Osage Orange—one mile, three years old, no entry.
 Osage Orange—one mile, three years old, one entry: A. D. Lawton, Boone, premium, \$10.00
 Fence—portable, best model of such as will effectively resist stock, \$10.00
 Mark O. Ainslie, Cooper, certificate.
 MARK O. AINSLIE, COOPER, MISSOURI.

HOW THE PREMIUM BUTTER WAS MADE.—The premium butter was made by Mrs. Conrad Harness, between the 15th and 25th days of June. She first put it up in two pound rolls, wrapped in linen cloths, then put it in stone jars, and then covered it with brine strong enough to cast an egg.

PREMIUM HEDGE

HEATH'S CREEK, Pettis county, Mo.,
 September 15th, 1854.
 We, the undersigned, citizens of Pettis county, Mo., have this day thoroughly examined W. E. Jamison's Bar & Arc Hedge, on Mr. G. S. Priest's farm, on Heath's Creek, Pettis county, Missouri, this being the second place we have been called on to examine, we make the following report, to wit:
 Hedge planted out May, 1853; length of hedge four hundred and forty-four yards; height, average, six feet; width, average, six feet. Capacity of hedge sufficient to turn all stock, unless very breachy and heavy; we find no gaps, and a perfect stem (will average over ten branches from an old stub; some find as high as twenty branches from old stubs. We also find the hedge in good order and free from anything like bugs.
JOHN S. JONES,
GEORGE ANDERSON,
ENOS M. CLEARINGER.

CERTIFICATE HEDGE

[EVIDENCE BEFORE THE COMMITTEE.]

We, the undersigned, resident citizens of the county of Cooper, and State of Missouri, having been called upon by William J. Campbell, of 25-H. AP.

said county, to examine his hedge of Osage Orange, on the 16th day of September, 1854, and to report the height, thickness, and ability of the same to resist stock at that time, to the Missouri State Agricultural Society; do hereby certify that on the day and year above mentioned, we examined a full quarter of a mile of said Campbell's hedge, which we know of our own knowledge to be two years old last spring, from the seed; that we found the same to be very regular in its height, and upon accurate measurement, the whole averaged the height of six feet and ten inches; the stems or stalks average four inches apart, and stand very regular; the branches from said stems make an average width to said hedge of five feet. We further state it as our opinion, that said hedge is now of itself of sufficient ability to resist all such stock as sheep, hogs, and calves, and in many places to resist grown horses and cattle.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, on this 16th day of September, 1854.

WILLIAM McCOURDY,
MARK COLE,
ISAAC N. HICKERSON,
THOMAS J. MUIR.

SECOND DAY.

HATS, SHOES AND BOOTS.

Hat—fur, two entries: Lewis & Groshen, St. Louis, premium..... \$5 00
Lewis & Groshen, St. Louis, certificate.
Hat—silk, two entries: Lewis & Groshen, St. Louis, premium..... 3 00
Lewis & Groshen, St. Louis, certificate.
Hat—wool, no entry.
Hat—straw, one entry: Mrs. H. S. Elliott, Howard, premium..... 1 00
Boots—pair gent's, seven entries: J. Rosenbaum, St. Louis, prem. 5 00
Thomas Plant, Booneville, certificate.
Boots—pair Misses, one entry: no premium awarded.
Shoes—pair ladies, one entry: no premium awarded.
Shoes—made by a lady, one entry: no premium awarded.
Shoes—coarse negro; no entry.

LEATHER.

Awarding Committee.—D. C. Eitzen; Hermana; E. B. Overton, Chariton county; W. B. Short, Booneville; J. M. Piper, Booneville.
Sole Leather—side, one entry: J. Rice, Cooper, premium..... 3 00
Buck Skins—half dozen, no entry.
Upper Leather—side, one entry: J. Rice, Cooper, premium..... 3 00
Harness Leather—side, one entry: J. Rice, Cooper, premium..... 3 00
Skirting Leather—side, J. Rice, Cooper, premium..... 3 00
Calf Skins—half dozen, one entry: J. Rice, Cooper, premium..... 3 00
Hog Skins—half dozen, no entry.

AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.

Awarding Committee.—T. W. Sampson, Boone; Edmond Elliott, Cooper; J. T. Hughes, Howard; Henry Bingham, Saline; Joseph Shawaker, Lafayette; W. P. Lepp, St. Louis; T. W. Nelson, Cooper.

Plow—two horse, for sod, one entry : Brown & Payne, Ralls, prem.	\$5 00
Plow—two horse, for stubble, two entries : Wm. Knaus, Cooper, premium.....	5 00
Brown & Payne, Ralls, certificate.	
Plow—one horse, two entries : Wm. Knaus, Cooper, premium.....	8 40
Brown & Payne, Ralls, certificate.	
Plow—subsoil, no entry.	
Plow—Prairie, two entries : Brown & Payne, Ralls, premium.....	14 40
T. J. B. Rockwell, Henry, certificate.	
Harrow—large, plan and material, no entry.	
Roller—plan and material, no entry.	
Wagon—two entries : Harmon and Welch, Cooper, premium.....	16 00
H. L. Wallace, Cooper, certificate.	
Cart—horse, no entry.	
Cutting Box—plan and material, no entry.	
Brake—hemp, hand, no entry.	
Brake—hemp, power, one entry, no premium awarded.	
Machine, for cutting hemp—one entry : J. L. Hardeman, Saline, as inventor of "Hardeman's Improved Hemp Cutter," prem.	10 00
Cradle—moving, no entry.	
Hemp Hooks—half dozen, one entry : Wm. Knaus, Cooper, prem.	2 00
Gate—plantation, plan and material, three entries : T. W. Sampson, Boone, premium.....	8 00
S. S. Seat, Cooper, certificate.	
Hind gear for wagon—no entry.	
Horse power specimen—no entry.	
Pump—plan and material, no entry.	
Threshing Machine—no entry.	
Corn Sheller—no entry.	
Corn Crusher—no entry.	
Wheat Fan—one entry : Henry Elliott, Cooper, premium.....	5 40
Brooms—half dozen, Missouri made, no entry.	
Reaper—one entry : W. H. Purse, Pike, for "Manny's Patent Reaper and Mower," as a reaper, premium.....	10 00
Mower—one entry : W. H. Purse, Pike, for "Manny's Patent Reaper and Mower," as a mower, premium.....	10 00

CARRIAGES AND BUGGIES.

Awarding Committee.—Taylor Hughes, Howard; Levi Dixon, Cole; Thos. Selby, Boone; — Fenn, St. Louis; P. B. Overton, Chariton; J. Shuwalter, Lafayette; J. H. Penny, Randolph.

Carriages—three entries : Fallon & Wright, St. Louis, premium., 15 40
Fallon & Wright, St. Louis, certificate.

NOTE.—The Recording Secretary, by mistake, failed to insert the carriage entered by Messrs. Finley & Dougherty, of St. Louis, on the list handed to the Awarding Committee; consequently it was not passed upon at the time. On the following day the matter was submitted to the Directory, and the same committee, by request, examined their carriage, and reported that it was a very superior piece of work, and well deserving a premium; and thereupon the Directory awarded Messrs. Finley & Dougherty, of St. Louis, on carriage exhibited, a premium of \$15.

Barenche—two entries : T. B. Edgar, St. Louis, premium....., 10 00

Fallon & Wright, St. Louis, certificate.	
Buggy—six entries: Fallon & Wright, St. Louis, premium.	\$3 00
T. B. Edgar, St. Louis, certificate.	
Harness—sett, carriage: Smith Keith, Lafayette, premium.	10 00
Harness—sett, buggy, two entries; none exhibited.	
Saddle and Bridle—man's, one entry: Wm. B. Short, Cooper, prem.	5 00
Saddle and Bridle—lady's, one entry: William B. Short, Cooper, premium.	5 00

DISCRETIONARY PREMIUMS.

The following articles, for which no premiums were offered on the advertised list, were exhibited on this day, and having been deemed of a very superior order, the Board of Directors awarded the following premiums:

Collars—horse, variety entered by Deming, Risley & Co., St. Louis, premium.	\$10 00
Stained Glass—Farmer & Son, St. Louis, premium.	5 00
Window Shades—Farmer & Son, St. Louis, premium.	2 50
Wash Stand—S. S. Seat, Cooper, premium.	2 50
Machine for sowing timothy and clover—S. S. Seat, Cooper, prem.	2 50

THIRD DAY.

SILVER AND OTHER WARE, &c.

Awarding Committee. —G. G. Schoolfield, Columbia; Wm. R. Smith, Huntsville; George B. Steele, Lexington; Geo. W. Cooke, Booneville; Geo. R. Smith, Potosi; J. Proctor, Selma.	
Silver ware specimen—no entry for premium.	
Copper ware specimen, no entry.	
Tin ware—specimen.	
Pottery—stone, no entry.	
Marble or Stone cutting—no entry.	
Mantle—Missouri marble, no entry.	
Shot gun—no entry.	
Rifle—no entry.	

IRON CASTINGS.

Hollow ware—specimen, no entry.	
Solid castings—specimen, no entry.	
Fancy castings—specimen, no entry.	
Cook stove—two entries: Giles T. Filley, St. Louis, premium.	10 00
Parlor stove—one entry: Giles T. Filley, St. Louis, premium.	5 00
Parlor grate—no entry.	
Ornamental fence—no entry.	

WOOL EMBROIDERY.

Awarding Committee.—Wm. B. Samuel, Randolph; Chy. Keil, Booneville; J. J. Tilton, Bolivar; E. Stanley, Booneville; J. H. Estill, Howard.	
Jeans—fine, home-made, four entries: Mrs. A. W. Sampson, Boone, premium.....	25 00
00 Mrs. Eli E. Bass, Boone, certificate.....	
Jeans—fine, factory-made, no entry.....	
Jeans—negro, child-made, six entries: Mrs. T. W. Sampson, Boone, premium.....	3 00
00 I premium.....	
Mrs. E. G. Thornton, Henry, certificate.....	
Cloth—fulled, factory-made, one entry: Gibbs & Stonebraker, Sta.....	
00 2 Charles.....	5 00
Linsey—colored, home-made, five entries: Mrs. Mrs. Brooks, Howard, premium.....	3 00
00 Mrs. J. H. Sampson, Boone, certificate.....	
Linsey—plain, home-made, six entries: Mrs. Mrs. Brooks, Howard, premium.....	3 00
00 2 premium.....	
Mrs. E. G. Thornton, Henry, certificate.....	
Linsey—plain, home-made, five entries: Mrs. T. W. Sampson, Boone, premium.....	3 00
00 Mrs. Mrs. Brooks, Howard, certificate.....	
Linsey—plain, home-made, one entry: Mrs. Mrs. Brooks, Howard, premium.....	3 00
00 2 premium.....	
Mrs. J. H. Sampson, Boone, premium.....	3 00
Blanket—seven entries: Mrs. J. H. Sampson, Boone, premium.....	3 00
00 Mrs. Conrad Harness, Cooper, certificate.....	
Blanket—open entry: Mrs. John Cooper, Cooper, premium.....	3 00
00 Hose—pair woolen, seven entries: Mrs. J. C. Cooper, Cooper, premium.....	3 00
00 Mrs. E. G. Thornton, Henry, certificate.....	
Half hose—by girl, under 12 years of age, ten entries: Miss Can.....	1 00
00 Mrs. E. G. Thornton, Henry, certificate.....	
Blankets—pairs (seven entries): Mrs. Eli E. Bass, Boone, premium.....	5 00
00 Mrs. E. G. Thornton, Henry, certificate.....	
Blankets—factory-made, Gibbs and Stonebraker, had several very superior pair on exhibition.....	
Bed spread, &c.—fourteen entries: Mrs. C. Harness, Cooper, premium.....	5 00
00 Mrs. E. G. Thornton, Henry, certificate.....	
Carpeting—woolen, six entries: Mrs. Henry Bousfield, Cooper, premium.....	10 00
00 Mrs. Eli E. Bass, Boone, certificate.....	
Carpets—big—fourteen entries: Mrs. E. A. Shapard, Howard, premium.....	5 00
00 Mrs. Alex. Tucker, Cooper, certificate.....	
Stitch Embroidery—long stitch, twelve entries: Mrs. T. G. DeJohna, Carroll, premium.....	3 00
00 Mrs. E. G. Thornton, Henry, certificate.....	
Stitch Embroidery—short stitch, one entry: Mrs. T. W. Sampson, Boone, premium.....	3 00
00 Mrs. E. G. Thornton, Henry, certificate.....	
Washed Embroidery—nine entries: Miss Harriett Baird, Cooper, premium.....	3 00
00 Mrs. T. G. DeJohna, Carroll, certificate.....	

Needle work—seven entries; Mrs. Lulkiwitz, St. Louis, premium. \$3 00
Miss M. L. Williams, Randolph, certificate.

COTTON, AND ARTICLES OF COTTON, &c.

Hose—pair cotton, home-made, four entries: Mrs. E. G. Thornton,
Henry, premium..... 2 00
Mrs. T. F. Houston, Pettis, certificate.
Half hose—pair by girl under 12 years old, one entry: Miss Oya-
thia E. Givens, Cooper, premium..... 1 00
Coat—jeans, cut, made and prepared by a lady, one entry: Mrs.
E. G. Thornton, Henry, premium..... 5 00
Shirt—linen, four entries: Mrs. J. Combs, Cooper, premium..... 2 00
Mrs. P. M. Burgess, Monroe, certificate.
Shirt—by girl under 12 years of age, one entry: Miss S. Emma
McNeill, Boone, premium..... 2 50
Shirt—by girl under 10 years of age, one entry: Miss Mary Sid-
ney Smith, Cole, premium..... 2 50
Full suit clothes—by a tailor, no entry.
Quilt—silk, five entries: Mrs. J. W. Waddell, Lafayette, premium 10 00
Mrs. McCormick, Ralls, certificate.
Quilt—worsted, five entries: Mrs. Arch. Williams, Lafayette, prem. 10 00
Mrs. R. C. Bramham, Boone, certificate.
Quilt—cotton, twenty-three entries: Mrs. T. T. Stone, Audrain,
premium..... 10 00
Miss Paulina Byler, Cooper, certificate.
Shawl—woolen, three entries: Mrs. E. G. Thornton, Henry, prem. 5 00
Mrs. H. Kingsberry, Howard, certificate.
Bonnet—fancy, four entries: Mrs. B. A. Shepperd, Howard, prem. 6 00
Mrs. B. A. Shepperd, Howard, certificate.
Dress—for child under 6 mos., home made, three entries: Mrs. Ira
Brooks, Howard, premium..... 2 50
Dress—for boy under 12 years old, two entries: Mrs. J. O'Bryan,
Cooper, premium..... 2 50
Mrs. Ira Brooks, Howard, certificate.
Dress—for girl under 12 years old, five entries: Mrs. Ira Brooks,
Howard, premium..... 2 50
Mrs. Conrad Harness, Cooper, certificate.

HEMP, FLAX, &c.

Awarding Committee.—J. H. Estill, Howard; T. L. Price, Cole; J.
Shuwalter, Lafayette; M. W. O'Bannon, Saline; J. Shack, Boone; Ed-
mond Bacon, Pettis.

Cotton bagging—no entry.

Coil rope—100 lbs., three entries: J. Bellis, Boone, premium..... 5 00
J. H. Estill, Howard, certificate.

Cordage and twine—one entry: Jno. Bellis, Boone, discretionary
premium..... 5 00

Linen—flax, 10 yards, three entries: Mrs. R. Lyman, Cooper,
premium..... 3 00

Mrs. Conrad Harness, Cooper, certificate.

Linen—hemp, one entry: Mrs. Ira Brooks, Howard, premium..... 2 00

Linen—tow, three entries: Mrs. Hiza Givens, Cooper, premium...	\$8 00
Mrs. H. R. Walker, Cooper, certificate.	
Candles—tallow, 20 lbs., one entry: Mrs. Rollin Lyman, Cooper, premium.....	2 00
Thread—sewing, four entries: Mrs. Conrad Harmsen, Cooper, premium.....	2 00
Mrs. E. G. Thorston, Henry, certificate.	
Candles—tallow and wax, one entry: Mrs. R. Lyman, Cooper, premium.....	2 00
Candles—tallow, 5 lbs., five entries: Mrs. G. Keill, Cooper, prem.	2 00
Mrs. R. Lyman, Cooper, certificate.	
Candles—sterine, no entry.	
Lard—firkin, fifteen entries: Mrs. C. Keill, Cooper, premium.....	5 00
Mrs. John Combs, Cooper, certificate.	

CABINET AND CARPENTER'S WORK.

<i>Awarding Committee.</i> —H. Stanley, Boonville; T. T. Stoad, Andrain co.; O. B. Pearson, Saline; T. J. Barthalow, Howard; A. W. Turner, Boone; R. Hughes, Howard.	
Wardrobe—no entry: premium offered.....	10 00
Sofa—no entry: “ “	10 00
Chairs— $\frac{1}{2}$ doz., no entry: “ “	10 00
Venetian blinds; “ “ “ “	5 00
Chair—sewing, “ “ “ “	2 00
Chair—rocking, “ “ “ “	5 00
Door pattern, furnish and material—no entry: premium offered...	5 00
Mantle-piece—of wood, no entry: “ “ ...	10 00

DISCRETIONARY PREMIUM.

Book-binding—specimen: J. D. Pascoe, Lafayette, exhibited a ledger, which was referred to the above committee, a very favorable report made thereon, and a premium awarded.....	2 50
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PRODUCE OF THE FIELD.

<i>Awarding Committee.</i> —D. B. Cunningham, Boone; A. S. Walker, Cooper; John H. Penny, Randolph; Samuel Grant, Callaway; John Lee, Howard; Robert McCann, Monroe; Wm. M. Davidson, Cole.	
Corn—largest yield per acre, of ten acres, three entries: Jno. Lee, Howard, on 89 $\frac{1}{2}$ bushels per acre, premium.....	20 00
John L. O'Bryan, Cooper, on 51 bushels 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ quarts per acre, certificate.	
Corn—largest yield per acre of five acres, three entries: Jno. Lee, Howard, on 67 bushels per acre, premium.....	10 00
Corn—largest yield of 1 acre, three entries: no premium awarded.	
Wheat—largest yield per acre, of five acres, one entry: no premium awarded, for want of such evidence as the By-Laws require.	
Wheat—specimen of one bushel, five entries: Wm. Hagland, Cooper, premium.....	7 50
Julius Mullinekrodt, St. Charles, certificate.	
Hemp—largest yield per acre, five acres, no entry.	

Chickens—Shanghai, greatest and best display of three entries: R. T. Jacobs, Cooper, premium \$2 00

R. R. Gentry, St. Louis, certificate.
Chickens—Polish, greatest and best display of three entries: H. W. Gentry, St. Louis, premium \$2 00

No certificate.
Fowls—greatest and best display of three entries: D. Ballantine, premium \$2 00

Boards—greatest and best display of three entries: A. W. Turner, Boone, premium \$2 00

J. H. Sampson, Boone, premium \$2 00

Boar—greatest and best display of three entries: J. H. Sampson, Boone, premium \$2 00

00 0 Lucky & Field, Boone, certificate.
Boar—greatest and best display of three entries: J. H. Sampson, Boone, premium \$2 00

00 0 W. J. Wyman, Boone, certificate.
Sow—greatest and best display of three entries: W. J. Wyman, Boone, premium \$2 00

00 0 Lucky & Field, Boone, certificate.
Pigs—pair, under 6 months old, greatest and best display of three entries: Lucky & Field, Boone, premium \$2 00

00 0 Mrs. Ann Gibson, Cooper, certificate.
Fat hog—greatest and best display of three entries: Mrs. Ann Gibson, Cooper, premium \$2 00

00 0 "Jack," premium \$2 00
Lucky & Field, Boone, certificate.

00 0 S. Grant, Callaway; J. R. White, Boone, premium \$2 00

00 0 S. Grant, Callaway; J. R. White, Boone, premium \$2 00

00 0 Buck—seven entries: Selby & Anderson, Callaway, Leicester, premium \$2 00

00 0 Ewe—six entries: Selby & Anderson, Callaway, Leicester, premium \$2 00

00 0 Selby & Anderson, Callaway, certificate.
Bull—two years old and under three years old, greatest and best display of three entries: Selby & Anderson, Callaway, premium \$2 00

00 0 Bull—two years old and under three years old, greatest and best display of three entries: Selby & Anderson, Callaway, premium \$2 00

00 0 Ewe—two years old and under three years old, greatest and best display of three entries: Selby & Anderson, Callaway, premium \$2 00

00 0 Buck—three entries: T. W. Sampson, Boone, premium \$2 00

00 0 T. W. Sampson, Boone, premium \$2 00

00 0 Cow—three years old and under four years old, greatest and best display of three entries: T. W. Sampson, Boone, premium \$2 00

00 0 Buck—one entry: Richard Gentry, Pettis, premium \$2 00

Ewe—one entry: Richard Gentry, Potts, premium.....\$20 00

BY NAME:

Any breed—four entries: W. W. Norris, Cooper, premium..... 8 00
W. W. Norris, Cooper, certificate.

CATTLE—MISSOURI RAISED.

Awarding Committee.—T. H. Jenkins, Boone; Robt. McCann, Monroe; Chas. Brooking, Cooper; Wm. T. Read, Howard; J. O. Hockaday, Callaway; John H. Penny, Randolph; A. Elgin, Howard.

Bull—over three years old, two entries: J. R. Estill, Howard, premium..... 10 00

W. S. Cate, Boone, on "Julius Caesar," certificate.

Bull—over two and under three, one entry: D. B. Cunningham, Boone, premium..... 10 00

Bull—over one and under two, four entries: Dr. Talbot, Howard, on "Brutus," premium..... 10 00

N. Leonard, Cooper, on "Marmion," certificate.

Bull—under one year old, five entries: T. Jenkins, Boone, prem.... 5 00
T. Jenkins, Boone, certificate.

Cow—three years old and upwards, two entries: J. H. McNeill, Howard, on "Laura Hutchison," premium..... 10 00

N. Leonard, Cooper, on "Boon," certificate.

Cow—two years old and under three, one entry: J. H. Hampeck, Boone, on "Kate Tracy," premium..... 10 00

Cow—one year old and under two, three entries: J. H. McNeill, Boone, on "Lilly Dale," premium..... 10 00

Hutchison & Clark, Cooper, on "Husline," certificate.

Cow—under one year old, five entries: T. Jenkins, Boone, prem.... 5 00
J. H. McNeill, Boone, certificate.

Oxen—one yoke, three entries: Ed. E. Bass, Boone, premium..... 10 00
J. H. Baker, Cooper, certificate.

CATTLE—FOREIGN.

Awarding Committee.—A. Grimes, Monroe; H. Larrymore, Callaway; Jas. H. Baker, Cooper; John W. Rollins, Boone; Minor W. O'Bannon, Saline.

Bull—three years old and upwards, four entries: J. A. Hockaday, Callaway, on "Prince Albert," premium..... 20 00

A. S. & J. H. Walker, Cooper, on "Alonzo," certificate.

Bull—two years old and under three, three entries: T. Jenkins, Boone, on "Duke of Orleans," premium..... 20 00

M. B. R. Williams, Randolph, on "Scepter," certificate.

Bull—one year old and under two, two entries: Warfield & Brand, Cooper, on "Hero," premium..... 10 00

No certificate.

Bull—under one year old, five entries: J. H. McNeill, Boone, on "Fillmore," premium..... 8 00

R. H. Carver, Pike, on "Ole Bull," certificate.

Cow—three years old and upwards, three entries: Avery Grimes, on "Laura Hutchcraft," prem..... 20 00

Hutchison & Clark, Cooper, on "Ada," certificate.

Cow—two years old and under three, two entries: T. Jenkins, Boone, on "Ky Balla," prem.....	\$15 00
J. H. McNeill, Boone, on "May Flower," certificate.	
Cow—one year old and under two, three entries: J. H. McNeill, on "Lissie Heckiday," prem.....	10 00
Warfield & Brand, Cooper, on "Zoe," certificate.	
Cow—under one year old, five entries: J. H. McNeill, Boone, on "Lucinda," prem.....	8 00
Hutchison & Clark, Cooper, on "Dinah," certificate.	

FAT CATTLE.

Awarding Committee—Henry Larrimore, Callaway; Minor Williams, Randolph; Isaac Cunningham, Illinois; Conrad Harness, Cooper, A. W. Turner, Boone.

Fat Bullock—over five years old, four entered: J. W. Rollins, Boone, prem.....	20 00
N. Leonard, Cooper, certificate.	
Fat Bullock—four years old and under five, three entries: Hutchison & Clark, Cooper, prem.....	15 00
Chas. McCormick, Cooper, certificate.	
Fat Bullock—three years old and under four, one entry: Hutchison & Clark, Cooper, prem.....	10 00
Fat Bullock—two years old and under three, three entries: N. Leonard, Cooper, prem.....	8 00
Hutchison & Clark, Cooper, certificate.	
Fat Bullock—one year old and under two, one entry: Hutchison & Clark, Cooper, prem.....	5 00
Spayed Heifer—over four years old, one entry: N. Leonard, Cooper, prem.....	10 00
Spayed Heifer—three years old and under four, one entry: T. Jenkins, Boone, prem.....	10 00
Spayed Heifer—two years and under three, no entry.	
Spayed Heifer—one year old and under two, one entry: Hutchison & Clark, Cooper, prem.....	5 00

John Porter, Esq., of the city of Booneville, offered a premium pitcher worth \$50, to the person who should exhibit four of the best fat cattle on this day.

Charles McCormick, of Cooper, entered under this head, but the ages and weight of his cattle were not procured by the Recording Secretary.

N. Leonard also entered four—ages and weight as follows:

"Dick,"	aged six years,	weight 2,200 pounds.
"Bob,"	" five "	" 1,800 "
"John,"	" five "	" 2,020 "
"Tom,"	" five "	" 2,025 "

Said premium was awarded by the above named committee to Charles McCormick. Certificate to N. Leonard.

MULES.

Awarding Committee—A. L. Morrison, Cole; Andrew Murry, Callaway; Jo. Fox, Monroe; W. B. Sappington, Saffney; A. S. Walker, Cooper; Henry Keene, Boone; A. M. Forbes, Pettis; J. W. Rollins, Boone.

Mule—three years old and upwards, three entries: Jefferson Garth

on "Sal," prem..... 10 00
 H. Estill, Howard, certificate.
 Mule—two years old and under three, four entries: J. K. Rollins, Boone, prem..... 10 00
 Howard, prem..... 10 00
 D. Powers, Monroe, certificate.
 Mule—one year old and under two, four entries: J. K. Rollins, Boone, prem..... 10 00
 Howard, prem..... 10 00
 Thomas McManahan, Cooper, certificate.
 Mule Colt—eight entries: John R. White, Howard, prem..... 5 00
 J. H. Estill, Howard, certificate.
 Mules, pair—over three years old, six entries: J. S. Rollins, Boone, prem..... 10 00
 W. T. Thompson, Henry, certificate.
 Mules, pair—two years old and under three, no entries.
 Mule—best adapted to saddle use: J. H. McNamara, Boone, prem..... 10 00
 "Billy," prem..... 10 00
 R. P. Richardson, "do," prem..... 10 00
 Mules—lot six yearlings, one entry: J. K. Rollins, Boone, prem..... 10 00
 Mules—six, ten years old, three entries: J. K. Rollins, Boone, prem..... 10 00
 way, prem..... 10 00
 J. H. Estill, Howard, certificate.
 Fat Bullock—three years old and under four, one entry: J. K. Rollins, Boone, prem..... 10 00
 son & Clark, Cooper, prem..... 10 00
 Fat Bullock—two years old and under three, three entries: N. Leonard, Cooper, prem..... 10 00
 son & Clark, Cooper, prem..... 10 00
 Hutchinson & Clark, Cooper, certificate.
 Fat Bullock—one year old and under two, one entry: H. B. Walker, Cooper, prem..... 10 00
 J. K. Rollins, Boone, prem..... 10 00
 Jonesborough, L. B. Estill, Howard, A. M. Callaway, Boone, prem..... 10 00
 Jones Pettis, John Boggs, Ralls, Samuel Connor, Boone, prem..... 10 00
 Jack—three years old and upwards, seven entries: J. K. Rollins, Boone, prem..... 10 00
 Callaway, on Zack Taylor, prem..... 10 00
 W. K. Trigg, Lafayette, on Boushon, certificate.
 Jack—two years old and under three, three entries: J. K. Rollins, Boone, prem..... 10 00
 Callaway, prem..... 10 00
 J. K. Rollins, Boone, prem..... 10 00
 Jack—one year old and under two, two entries: J. K. Rollins, Boone, prem..... 10 00
 Saline, on Big Giant, prem..... 10 00
 H. B. Walker, Cooper, on Tolley and Jr., certificate.
 Jack—over one year old, three entries: H. B. Walker, Cooper, prem..... 10 00
 on Bolger, prem..... 10 00
 N. Leonard, Cooper, on Don Juan, certificate.
 Jennett—three years and upwards, two entries: Rhodes Marshall, Cooper, prem..... 15 00
 N. Leonard, Cooper, on Black, certificate.
 Jennett—two years and under three, two entries: Eli E. Bass, Boone, prem..... 10 00
 N. Leonard, Cooper, on Dulcena, certificate.
 Jennett—one year and under two, one entry: J. W. Rollins, Boone, prem..... 8 00
 on Jimmy Lind, prem..... 8 00
 Jennett—under one year old, two entries: Rhodes Marshall, Cooper, prem..... 10 00
 N. Leonard, Cooper, on Din Maria, certificate.
 Mrs.—three years old and upwards, three entries: J. K. Rollins, Boone, prem..... 10 00

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BLOODED HORSES.

- (0) *Awarding Committee*—C. F. Jackson, Saline; H. R. Menefee, Cooper; J. R. White, Henry; T. L. Price, Cole; Robert McCann, Monroe; M. R. Terken, Callaway; Joseph Shuwater, Lexington.
- (0) Stallion—three years and upwards, eight entries: T. Bashford, Lafayette, on Imported Gold Dust, prem. 20 00
- P. B. Owen, Greene, Scipio, certificate
- (0) Stallion—two years and under three, five entries: Levi Dixon, Cole, on Barnum, prem. 10 00
- Samuel Kennen, Boone, on St. Henry, certificate.
- (0) Stallion—one year old and under two, three entries: J. E. Wil- liam, Howard, on Black Nose, prem. 10 00
- Isaac M. Rife, Ray, on Red Bill, certificate.
- (0) Stallion—under one year old, six entries: J. F. Williams, How- ard, on Young America, prem. 5 00
- J. M. Chambers, St. Louis, on Florissant, certificate.
- (0) Mare—three years and upwards, thirteen entries: Othel Farmer, Sen., Boone, on Ellis, prem. 45 00
- (0) G. W. Buslee, Cooper, on Lady Jackson, certificate.
- (0) Mare—two years and under three, three entries: R. T. Isaac, Coe- ler, on Fannie, prem. 10 00
- (0) G. L. Douthett, Cooper, on Julia Dean, certificate.
- (0) Mare—one year and under two, two entries: Garrison Patrick, Howard, on Minnie Bickner, prem. 10 00
- (0) Conrad Harness, Cooper, on Mary, certificate.
- (0) Mare Colt—under one year old, five entries: M. H. Harvin, Col- ler, on Jesse, prem. 10 00
- (0) Joseph Chambers, Cooper, on Fannie, prem. 2 00

DRAUGHT, WAGON OR PLOW HORSES.

- Awarding Committee*—O. Hurt, Saline; J. H. Shepperd, Howard; As. Robinson, Odessa; John H. Penney, Randolph; Levi Dixon, Cole; J. B. Frank, St. Louis; A. J. Grimes, Monroe.
- (0) Stallion—three years and upwards, six entries: Edmund Bacon, Paris, on Hercules, prem. 15 00
- (0) Isaac Neff, Saline, certificate.
- (0) Stallion—two years and under three, two entries: Wm. T. Rad- mond, on Black Swimmer, prem. 10 00
- (0) No certificate awarded.
- (0) Stallion—one year old and under two, four entries: D. Vaughn, Saline, on Young Hercules, prem. 8 00
- M. R. Leitch, Boone, on Bettie Penn, certificate.
- (0) Stallion Colt—six entries: J. M. Chambers, St. Louis, on Joe, prem. 5 00
- J. Henderson Moore, Cooper, on Boydy, certificate.
- (0) Mare—three years and upwards, twelve entries: A. S. & J. M. Walker, Cooper, prem. 15 00
- Reuben Annals, Cooper, on Jule, certificate.
- (0) Mare—two years and under three, three entries: James Hutch- anan, Cooper, on Mary Cassin, prem. 10 00
- A. S. & J. M. Walker, Cooper, on Molly Hobbs, certificate.
- (0) Mare—one year and under two, two entries: J. J. Kelly, Coe-

per, on Tabitha, prem.....	\$3 00
M. P. Leintz, Boone, on Great Western, certificate.	
Mare Colt—two entries: Jos. Chambers, Cooper, prem.....	1 00
M. P. Leintz, Boone, on Diamond, certificate.	
Pair Wagon or Plow Horses—three entries: Joseph H. Fox, Monroe, prem.....	10 00
No certificate awarded.	

HARNESS HORSES.

<i>Awarding Committee</i> —Samuel Grant, Callaway; Wm. Murry, Audrain; Joel Scott, Saline; Richard Clark, Boone; H. Bruce, Cooper; Levi Dixon, Cole; J. Maupin, Howard.	
Stallion—three years and upward, eight entries: Samuel Chambers, Cooper, on Farmers' Delight, premium.	
Vaughn, Saline, certificate.	
Mare—three years and upwards, seven entries: Wilson Mattox, Callaway, prem.	15 00
A. S. & J. H. Walker, Cooper, certificate.	
Carriage Horses, pair—four entries: A. B. Fant, Callaway, prem.	10 00
Jesse Hastings, Howard, certificate.	
Carriage Mares, pair—two entries: Greenlease & McCarty, Cooper, prem.	10 00
No certificate awarded.	
Gelding for Harness—over three years old, fourteen entries: Dr. T. R. H. Smith, Callaway, prem.	10 00
J. W. Harbert, on Tom Telegraph, certificate.	
Mare for Harness—over three years old, six entries: Mrs. E. Selby, Boone, on Lucy Hall, prem.	10 00
W. W. Wilson, Boone, certificate.	

SADDLE HORSES.

<i>Awarding Committee</i> —S. A. Young, Boone; S. T. Hughes, Howard; W. O. Maupin, Saline; G. H. F. Greenhouse, Cooper; W. M. Fligg, Lafayette; J. H. Drake, Benton; W. Wilson, Monroe.	
Stallion—over three years old; five entries: John R. White, Howard, on "Copper Bottom," premium.....	15 00
J. M. Nelson, Cooper, on "Hunter," certificate.	
Stallion—two years and under three, three entries: Smith Watson, Cooper, on "Charlie," premium.....	10 00
Andrew Robertson, Cooper, on "Botherin," certificate.	
Stallion—one year old and under two, no entry.	
Mare—three years and upwards, twelve entries: W. M. Clark, Cooper, on "Mary," premium.....	15 00
Thomas Potter, Cooper, certificate.	
Mare—two years and under three, six entries: Thomas Hopkins, Morgan, on "Blaze," premium.....	10 00
Garrison Patrick, Howard, on "Black Betty," certificate.	
Mare—one year old and under two, three entries: Mrs. P. M. Burgess, Monroe, premium.....	5 40
W. T. Moore, Cooper, on "Sally Bull," certificate.	
Gelding—over three years old, seven entries: R. D. McCann,	

Monroe, on "Tom Hall," premium.....	\$10 00
W. S. Cave, Boone, on "Gilpin," certificate.	
Mare—over three years old, four entries: T. Shipley, premium.,	10 00
No certificate.	
Harso Colt—two entries: I. S. Brooks, Howard, on "Willie	
Quick," premium.....	5 00
No certificate.	
Mare Colt—seven entries: Robt. Givens, Cooper, on "Aura,"	
Premium.....	5 00
I. E. Heux, Cooper, certificate.	
Gelding—two years and under three, three entries: Philip D.	
Stephens, Montean, on "Grabbing Irons," premium.....	8 00
Avery Grimes, Monroe, on "Davy Crockett," certificate.	
Gelding—under one year old, one entry: W. T. Redman, Cooper,	
on "Missouri," premium.....	5 00
Pony, of any breed—thirteen entries: J. L. Morrison, Howard,	
on "Dick Johnson," premium.....	10 00
W. H. Gaines, Howard, on "Frank," certificate.	

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE MISSOURI STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY..

Cash received for memberships,	\$2,884 50	Cash paid Sluder, receipt No. 13,	\$10 00
" " donation from State,	1,000 00	" " Breat,	" 14, 39 00
" " received for gate fees,	1,168 10	" " Howard,	" 16, 28 00
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" " " " " " " " " "	15 00	" " Brice,	" 18, 6 00
Balance due on memberships for 1853-'64	100 50	" " Spahr,	" 19, 1 50
" " " " " " " " " "		" " Spahr,	" 20, 1 00
" " " " " " " " " "	50 00	" " Hain,	" 21, 8 75
" " " " " " " " " "		" " Schoolfield,	" 22, 653 88
" " " " " " " " " "	6 75	" " Schoolfield,	" 23, 1000 00
" " " " " " " " " "		" " Koonts,	" 24, 12 00
" " " " " " " " " "		" " Lengmana,	" 25, 150 00
" " " " " " " " " "		" " Williams,	" 26, 339 98
" " " " " " " " " "		" " Growther,	" 27, 10 00
" " " " " " " " " "		" " Sullins,	" 28, 10 00
" " " " " " " " " "		" " for watering ground,	" 29, 2 00
" " " " " " " " " "		" " Woolrey, receipt No. 29,	" 29, 25 50
" " " " " " " " " "		" " Andrews,	" 30, 12 50
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" " " " " " " " " "		" " N. Hutchinson & Co.,	" 32, 4 65
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" " " " " " " " " "		" " H. M. Myers,	" 35, 6 75
" " " " " " " " " "		" " Woodward & Elliott,	" 36, 6 00
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" " " " " " " " " "		" " 5 day tickets,	" 2 50
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Cash paid Simpson, receipt No. 1,	70 00		
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Cash paid Simpson, rec't No. 61,	21	00			
" " Lawton, rec't No. 62,	4	15			
" " Simpson, rec't No. 63,	5	00			
Courad's rent unpaid,					
Balance due and unpaid by Col.					
Samuel Young for fruits, &c.,	6	75			
Unpaid memberships,	150	50	\$4,855	47	
No Balance due Treasurer,			\$7	57	
ASSETS.					
Premiums on hands,	384	00			
Real estate purchased of Russell,	2,162	77			
" " estate purchased of Nelson,	945	95			
Improvements for 1852,	2,850	00			
Total capital.					\$4,826 88
Wm. H. Tatro, Treasurer.					
Boonville, October 25th, 1854.					

MISCELLANY.

HERD BOOK.

On motion of Col. S. A. Young—

Resolved, That the Recording Secretary shall keep a separate book to be called the "Herd Book," in which he shall record the names, age and pedigree of all producing stock which may be exhibited for premiums, at the several Fairs of the Missouri State Agricultural Society.

May meeting, 1854.

On motion of A. W. Turner, of Boone—

Resolved, That all persons owning, or who may hereafter bring into this State, blooded or fine stock, are requested to furnish the Recording Secretary of the Missouri State Agricultural Society with the name, age and pedigree thereof; that it be the duty of the Recording Secretary to record the same in the Herd Book provided by said Society, and that he shall furnish certified copies of the same, under the seal of said Society, to all persons who may apply therefor, and pay the sum of fifty cents.

October meeting, 1854.

AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the President of this Society appoint a committee of five members to prepare a memorial to the Congress of the United States, upon the subject of Agriculture, and the establishment of a Seminary or School of Agriculture, in connection with the "Smithsonian Institute," and for a donation of the public lands, as an endowment to the Missouri State Agricultural Society.

Whereupon, the President appointed Col. Samuel A. Young, Maj. James S. Rollins, Col. W. F. Switzler and John Slack, Esq., of the county of Boone, and Col. Thomas C. Anderson, of the county of Callaway, said committee.

May meeting, 1854.

AMENDMENT OF THE CHARTER.

Resolved, That a committee of four be appointed to memorialize the Legislature of this State upon the subject of changing the Charter of the Missouri State Agricultural Society, so as to vest the property in fee in the Society, increase the salaries of the officers, or let the same be at the discretion of the Board of Directors, and enlarge the donations to the Society to \$2,000 annually, and to make such other alterations as to said committee shall seem proper.

Thereupon, the President appointed Hon. W. B. Napton, William O. Maupin, John L. Hardeman, Minor W. O'Bannon, and C. F. Jackson, of the county of Saline, said committee.

May meeting, 1854.

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.—EXAMINATION OF SOIL, &c.

Resolved, That the General Assembly of this State is respectfully requested to direct the State Geologist to give special attention to the agricultural interests of the State, to examine the mechanical and chemical properties of all soil and fertilizers, point out the several varieties of soils, and the capacities and peculiar properties of each, together with the crops and culture, and fertilizers adapted to them respectively, and designate the trees and other plants which grow upon and characterize them, and lay down upon the map, so far as may be, the territory occupied by these several soils.

Resolved, That, in our opinion, the office of State Geologist should be continued until the survey of the whole State is completed.

Resolved, That the foregoing resolutions be referred to the committee heretofore appointed to memorialize the Legislature on the subject of the interests of this Society.

October meeting, 1854.

THANKS.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Society be cordially tendered to the Chief Marshal (Col. S. A. Young) and his assistant Marshals, for their laborious services in preserving order, and in facilitating the business of the Society.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Society are due, and they are hereby tendered, to G. G. Schoolfield, of Columbia, for the faithful and judicious manner in which he has executed the trust committed to him of procuring the silver plate premiums, awarded at the October Fair, 1854.

Resolved, That the Board of Directors, as a compliment to Joseph L. Stephens, Esq., for the valuable services rendered the Society during the past year as Recording Secretary, award him thirty dollars in silver plate, and that the Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed, to deliver the same to him.

October Fair, 1854.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

The Recording Secretary, in behalf of the Board of Directors of the Missouri State Agricultural Society, takes this mode of making his acknowledgment of obligation to William Musgrove, Esq., Editor of the "Lexington Express," for a copy of his paper for the year, commencing with October, 1854; and to Alfred Lee & Co., of St. Louis, for a volume of the Horticulturalist. And he begs to assure them, that their valuable donations will be carefully preserved and kept in the Library of the Society.

OCTOBER FAIR, 1855.

OFFICERS.

- M. M. MARMADUKE, Arrow Rock, Saline county, President.
WM. O. MAUPIN, Marshal, Saline county, First Vice President.
N. G. ELLIOTT, Fayette, Howard county, Second Vice President.
WM. T. CHRISTY, St. Louis, Third Vice President.
J. KELLY RAGLAND, Boonville, Cooper county, Fourth Vice President.
WM. K. TRIGG, Lexington, Lafayette county, Fifth Vice President.
J. H. MCNEILL, Columbia, Boone county, Sixth Vice President.
T. C. ANDERSON, Williamsburgh, Callaway county, Seventh Vice President.
JAMES T. JOHNSON, Boonville, Cooper county, Treasurer.
JAMES L. MINOR, Jefferson City, Cole county, Corresponding Secretary.
JO. L. STEPHENS, Boonville, Cooper county, Recording Secretary.

The above officers constituting the Board of Directors of the Society, pursuant to an order made at the October Meeting, 1854, will meet at the law office of J. L. Stephens, in the City of Boonville, on the second Monday in April, 1855, to prepare the Premium List for the next Fair, and transact such other business as the interests of said Society may require.

The improvement of the Fair Grounds being nearly complete, and the increased interest manifested in the success of the Society by persons from almost every portion of the State, warrant the belief, that the next Premium List will be largely increased, both in the variety of articles, &c., exhibited, and the amounts of premiums offered for award.

And in order that the next Premium List may be made as complete as possible, and acceptable to every interest designed to be promoted by the Society, the Board of Directors request that all persons who may desire to aid in preparing the List will forward to the Recording Secretary, prior to the next April meeting, such suggestions as they may think will be of benefit to the Society.

Any of the officers, upon application, will take pleasure in furnishing the Constitution, By-Laws, or any other information in regard to the Society, to all persons, in or out of the State.

STATEMENT of reported condition of State and County Agricultural and Mechanical Associations.

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REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ORDERS.

MR. SPEAKER: The Joint Committee appointed on part of the Senate and House of Representatives, to frame Rules for the government of the two Houses, have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report, recommending the adoption of the Joint Rules adopted at the last session, for the government of the two Houses, as printed on pages 382 and 383, House Journal, 1853.

ROLLINS, *Chairman.*

RULES AND ORDERS

For conducting business in the House of Representatives of the State of Missouri; and Joint Rules for the government of both Houses.

ARTICLE I.—Of the House.

§ 1. Any ten members, (including the Speaker, if there be one,) shall be a sufficient number to call a House, send for and compel the attendance of absent members, and make an order for their censure or fine; and a majority of all the members shall be a sufficient number to adjourn.

§ 2. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave, or be sick and unable to attend.

§ 3. Upon a call of the House, the names of the members shall be called alphabetically, and the absentees noted; after which, the names of the absentees shall again be called over, and those who do not appear may be sent for and taken in custody, wherever to be found, by the Sergeant-at-Arms, or special messenger to be appointed.

§ 4. When a member shall be discharged from custody and admitted to his seat, the House shall determine whether such discharge shall be with or without fees; and, in like manner, whether a delinquent member, taken into custody by a special messenger, shall not be liable to defray the expenses of such special messenger.

ARTICLE II.—Of the Speaker.

§ 1. The Speaker shall take the chair precisely at the hour to which the House shall have adjourned on the preceding day, and immediately call the members to order.

§ 2. He shall preserve decorum and order; may speak to points of order in preference to other members, rising from his seat for that purpose, and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the House by any two members, upon which appeal no member shall speak more than once, unless by leave of the House.

§ 3. He shall rise to put a question, but may state it sitting.

§ 4. He shall examine and correct the journal before it is read. He

shall have a general direction and superintendence of the Hall. He shall have a right to substitute any member to perform the duties of the Chair, but such substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment.

§ 5. He shall sign all acts, joint resolutions and addresses; and all writs, warrants or subpoenas issued by order of the House, shall be under his hand and seal, attested by the Clerk.

§ 6. In case of disturbance or disorderly conduct in the lobby or galleries, he shall have power to order the same to be cleared.

§ 7. The House may at any time elect a Speaker *pro tem.*, who, during the session in which he is chosen, shall exercise the office of Speaker during the sickness or absence of the Speaker.

ARTICLE III.—*Of the Clerks and other Officers.*

§ 1. The House shall at the commencement of each session, and as often as may be necessary, elect a Clerk of the House, and as many Engrossing and Enrolling Clerks as may be deemed necessary; a Door-keeper and a Sergeant-at-Arms, who shall hold their office until the end of the session in which they shall be elected, unless sooner removed by a vote of the members present; shall respectively take an oath to support the Constitution of the United States and of this State, and faithfully demean themselves in office, and keep the secrets of the House; which oath shall be administered by the Speaker.

§ 2. It shall be duty of the Clerk of the House to attend the House during its sittings; to keep and make out its journals, and seasonably to record all its proceedings; to make out and transmit all its messages, communications, copies and documents to be sent to the Senate; to keep under direction of the Speaker, regular files of the papers of the House; to attest all writs, warrants and subpoenas issued by order of the House; to keep an account of all fines imposed, and of the attendance and traveling allowance of members; to superintend the purchase and preservation of books and stationery for the use of the House. He shall (under the direction of the Speaker,) keep a docket of proceedings on all bills, resolutions and acts, and shall execute the commands of the House from time to time.

§ 3. It shall be the duty of the Engrossing and Enrolling Clerks, respectively, seasonably to engross, and to enroll, (as the case may be,) in a fair round hand, all bills and resolutions, and acts of the House, or of both Houses, delivered to them for that purpose; and from time to time execute the commands of the House, or such committee as may be appointed on engrossed or enrolled bills.

§ 4. It shall be the duty of the Door-keeper to attend the sittings of the House; he shall have the custody and care of the Hall and furniture of the House during the session, subject to the order of the Speaker; shall furnish water for the use of the members; shall make and keep on fires when required, and superintend the purchase of fuel and necessary utensils; shall permit no person to come or remain within the bar, only such as are admitted by the rules and orders of the House; he shall announce all messages and communications from the Governor or Senate and admit the bearer within the bar; he shall from time to time execute the commands of the Speaker in relation to his duties, and to the arrangements and regulations of the Hall, and shall obey such other orders as may be made by the House.

§ 5. It shall be the duty of the Sergeant-at-Arms to attend the House during its sitting; to execute the commands of the House from time to time, together with such process issued by authority thereof, as shall be directed to him by the Speaker; his fees shall be, for every arrest, two dollars; for each day's custody and releasement, one dollar; and for traveling expenses for himself or a special messenger, going and returning, ten cents per mile; to be paid out of the contingent fund of the House.

ARTICLE IV.—*Of Committees.*

§ 1. Twenty-four standing committees shall be appointed, to-wit:

- A committee on the Judiciary;
- A committee on Ways and Means;
- A committee on Criminal Jurisprudence;
- A committee on Internal Improvements;
- A committee on Education;
- A committee on Claims;
- A committee on the Militia;
- A committee on the Seat of Government;
- A committee on Elections;
- A committee on the Public Salines;
- A committee on Justices of the Peace;
- A committee on Revised and Unfinished Business;
- A committee on Accounts;
- A committee on Engrossed Bills;
- A committee on Public Printing;
- A committee on the Banks;
- A committee on Federal Relations;
- A committee on Public Buildings;
- A committee on Roads and Highways;
- A committee on Agriculture;
- A committee on the Penitentiary,
- A committee on State Lands;
- A committee on Swamp Lands;
- A committee on Lunatic Asylum, to consist of eight members.

§ 2. It shall be the duty of the committee on the Judiciary, to take into consideration and report all such matters, reports and propositions touching the judges, the courts, or the judicial department of the government, as may be referred to them by the House; to examine into laws regulating judicial proceedings, and the time and place of holding courts, and the fees of officers of courts, and from time to time report such provisions and arrangements as may be necessary to improve the administration of justice, and the accountability of the officers of the several courts, and to regulate their fees.

§ 3. It shall be the duty of the committee on Ways and Means, to take into consideration all such reports and propositions relating to the treasury of the State, as may be referred to them by the House; to inquire into the state of the public debt, finances, the revenue and expenditure of the State, and report from time to time their opinion thereon; to examine into the

state of the several public departments, and particularly into the laws making appropriations of money, and report whether the moneys have been disbursed conformably to such laws, and report from time to time such provisions and arrangements as may be necessary touching the public debt, finances, revenues, and expenditures, and appropriation of public moneys, or which may add to the economy of the departments, and the accountability of their officers.

§ 4. It shall be the duty of the committee on Criminal Jurisprudence to take into consideration all matters, reports and propositions touching the laws for the arrest, trial and punishment of offenders, and the discipline and government of the penitentiary; and from time to time report such provisions and arrangements as may be necessary to improve the administration of criminal justice, and to secure the just accountability of the officers concerned therein.

§ 5. It shall be the duty of the committee on Internal Improvements to take into consideration all petitions, matters and things referred to them, touching roads, canals, navigable waters, or other internal improvements; to examine the laws in relation thereto, and report their opinion thereon, together with such bills and propositions for promoting and encouraging internal improvements, as they may deem expedient.

§ 6. It shall be the duty of the committee on Education, to take into consideration all petitions and matters referred to them, relating to a University, schools, and the land granted for their support; to inquire into the situation of the lands appropriated for the support of schools and a University, and of the funds arising therefrom, and report their opinions thereon, together with such bills and propositions as they may deem expedient for preserving the said lands from waste and damage, for the renting, leasing, improvement, or other disposition thereof, and for applying the funds arising therefrom, to the establishment and support of Schools and a University, for the encouragement of the means of education, and promotion of literature, pursuant to the terms of the grant made by the United States, and the Constitution of this State.

§ 7. It shall be the duty of the committee on Claims to take into consideration all such petitions and matters or things referred to them, touching claims and demands on the State, as shall be referred to them by the House, and report their opinion thereon, together with such bills and propositions for relief therein, as to them shall seem expedient.

§ 8. It shall be the duty of the committee on the Militia to take into consideration all petitions, matters and things touching the Militia as may be referred to them; and to examine the laws relating to the Militia; and from time to time report their opinions thereon; report such bills and propositions as to them shall seem expedient for the well organizing, governing, disciplining and regulating the Militia.

§ 9. It shall be the duty of the committee on the Permanent Seat of Government, to take into consideration all petitions, reports, matters and things referred to them, touching the Seat of Government and the regulation thereof; the lots, out-lots and lands belonging to the State, in and near the City of Jefferson; the improvement of the streets, avenues, lanes, and alleys therein; to examine all laws in relation thereto, and report their opinions thereon, together with such bills and propositions touching the same as they may deem expedient.

§ 10. It shall be the duty of the committee on Elections to examine

and report upon the certificates of election, or other credentials of the members returned to serve in this House; to examine all laws regulating elections, and report such alterations and amendments as they may deem necessary; and to take into consideration all petitions and other matters touching elections and returns, as shall be presented or come in question, and be referred to them by the House.

§ 11; It shall be the duty of the committee on the Public Salines, to take into consideration all petitions and matters referred to them relative to salt springs, and the lands adjoining the same, selected for the use of the State, to inquire into the situation of the salt springs, and the lands appropriated for the use of the Salines, and of the funds arising therefrom, and report their opinions thereon, together with such bills and propositions as they may deem expedient for preserving the said Salines from injury, waste and damage; for the renting, leasing, improving, or other disposition thereof, and for application of the funds arising therefrom, and generally to promote the proper management and preservation of the Salines and lands, and funds arising therefrom.

§ 12. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Justices of the Peace to take into consideration all petitions and matters referred to them relating to Justices of the Peace, and proceedings before them, and their powers and duties; to examine all laws relating to proceedings before Justices of the Peace, their powers and duties, and to report their opinions thereon, together with such bills and propositions for the better regulation thereof; and promote the administration of justice as they may deem expedient.

§ 13. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Revised and Unfinished Business, to examine and report what laws are near expiring, and require to be revised or continued, and what measures were depending and unfinished at the session preceding, or have been postponed or referred to the session then commenced.

§ 14. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Accounts to superintend and control the contingent expenses of the House, and to audit and settle all accounts of contingent expenses; and to audit the accounts of the members for their travel to and from the seat of government, and their attendance in the House, and deliver their report to the Clerk.

§ 15. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, or any of them, to examine all bills ordered to be engrossed, to correct all clerical, orthographical, or grammatical errors, to arrange the punctuation before they are delivered to the Engrossing Clerk for engrossment; to examine all engrossed bills before they are returned to the House to be read a third time; carefully compare them with the bills as delivered to the Clerk, correct any errors, if practicable, without defacing the bill, and deliver the same to the Clerk of the House, with the words "truly engrossed," endorsed thereon, signed by a member of the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

§ 16. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Public Printing to take into consideration all matters and propositions for printing, or relating to the same, and which shall be referred to them, and report their opinion; and shall perform the duties as the Committee of the House under an act entitled, "An act for electing a Public Printer," approved March 24th, 1845.

§ 17. It shall be the duty of the Committee on the Bank to take into

consideration all such petitions, propositions, matters and things as shall be referred to them touching the Bank of the State of Missouri and its Branches, their accounts, returns and reports, the conduct of their officers and business, the powers and duties of the corporation, to examine the laws in relation thereto; together with such bills and propositions as to them shall seem expedient and proper.

§ 18. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Federal Relations to take into consideration all reports, propositions, matters and things referred to them touching amendments to the Constitution of the United States, the relations of this State with the United States, or any State of the Union, in the boundaries of this State, and report their opinions thereon.

§ 19. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Public Buildings, to take into consideration all petitions, reports, propositions and other matters referred to them relating to the Capitol, Penitentiary buildings and other buildings of the State, the grounds appurtenant thereto, and the regulation and improvements thereof, and to examine the laws in relation thereto; to investigate the expenditures on the accounts thereof, and to report their opinion, together with such bills and propositions as they may deem expedient, for promoting economy in the expenditures.

§ 20. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to take into consideration all petitions, matters, and things that may be referred to them touching county roads, bridges and ferries, to examine into the laws in relation thereto, and report their opinion thereon, together with such bills and propositions as to them shall seem expedient and proper.

§ 21. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, to take into consideration all such petitions, propositions, matters and things, as shall be referred to them by the House, touching Agriculture and Manufactures, and the improvement thereof, and report their opinion thereon; together with such bills and propositions for the protection and encouragement of Agriculture and Manufactures within this State as they may deem expedient.

§ 22. It shall be duty of the Committee on the Penitentiary to take into consideration all petitions, reports, propositions and other matters which may be referred to them, relating to the Penitentiary buildings, the internal police of the Institution, or in any wise concerning the same, and to report their opinions, together with such bills and propositions as they may deem expedient.

§ 23. It shall be the duty of the Committee on State Lands to take into consideration all bills and propositions, in relation to the preservation and disposition of the five hundred thousand acres of land granted to the State of Missouri, by an act of Congress, approved September the 4th, 1841. Also all bills and propositions in relation to the disposition of the proceeds of the sale thereof.

§ 24. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Swamp Lands, to take into consideration all bills and propositions in relation to the preservation and disposition of the lands donated to the State of Missouri, by act of Congress, approved 28th September, 1850, for the purpose of enabling the State to drain and reclaim the inundated lands, and lands rendered unfit for cultivation thereby; also, all bills and propositions in relation to

the disposition of the proceeds thereof, and also all bills and propositions for carrying into effect the objects of the donation.

§ 25. It shall be the duty of the Committee on the Lunatic Asylum, to take into consideration all petitions, reports, propositions and other matters which may be referred to them, relating to the State Lunatic Asylum, its buildings, the internal police of the Institution, or in any respect concerning the same, to recommend such amendments and alterations of the law in regard thereto, and report such bills and propositions thereon, as they may deem expedient.

§ 26. All select committees shall consist of three members, unless otherwise ordered by the House.

§ 27. All Committees, unless otherwise specially ordered, shall be appointed by the Speaker.

§ 28. No committee shall sit during the sitting of the House, without special leave.

§ 29. The standing committees shall consist of seven members each, to be appointed by the Speaker.

ARTICLE V.—*On Bills, &c.*

§ 1. Every bill shall be introduced by motion for leave, or by order of the House, or the report of a committee: one day's notice at least shall be given of a motion of leave to bring in a bill, and the member giving such notice shall state concisely the leading objects of the bill, for the information of the House, which motion may be committed.

§ 2. Every bill shall receive three several readings, on three different days previous to its passage, unless two-thirds of the House shall previously dispense with this rule.

§ 3. Every order, resolution or vote to which the concurrence of the Senate shall be necessary, except for adjournment, shall be read and laid on the table, one day at least, before its passage, unless the House shall dispense with this rule.

§ 4. The first reading of a bill shall be for information, and if opposition be made to it, the question shall be, "shall this bill be rejected?" If no opposition be made, or if the question to reject be negatived, the bill shall go to its second reading without a question.

§ 5. Upon the second reading of a bill, the Speaker shall state that it is ready for commitment or engrossment, and if committed, then the question shall be whether to a select committee or a committee of the whole House; if to a committee of the whole House, it shall be committed generally, and taken up in order; and every bill of more than one page of manuscript shall be printed as matter of course, unless otherwise ordered by the House; but if it be ordered to be engrossed, the House shall appoint on what day it shall be read a third time.

§ 6. All bills ordered to be engrossed, shall be executed in a fair round hand.

§ 7. Any bill or other matter, may be re-committed at any time before its passage.

§ 8. When a bill or joint resolution passes, it shall be certified by the clerk; noting the day of its passage at the foot thereof.

§ 9. Petitions, memorials, and other papers addressed to the General Assembly, or the House, shall be presented by the Speaker or by a mem-

ber in his place; a brief statement of the contents thereof shall be verbally made by the introducer and shall be read by the Clerk, unless the reading be dispensed with.

§ 10. If a motion be made to refer a petition, memorial, or paper to a standing committee, it shall be so ordered by the Speaker without a question, unless such reference be objected to.

ARTICLE VI.—*Of the Order of the Business of the Day.*

§ 1. On the appearance of a quorum, the journals of the preceding day shall be read.

§ 2. After the journals are read, business shall be disposed of in the following order :

Petitions, memorials, and remonstrances.

Reports from standing committees.

Reports from select committees.

Propositions and motions.

Second reading of bills, &c.

Engrossed bills read a third time.

Bills, reports and other business lying on the table.

Bills and other business from the Senate.

Other business of the House.

The orders of the day.

§ 3. The Speaker shall on each day announce to the House the business in order, agreeably to the preceding rule, and no business shall be taken up or considered until the class to which it belongs be declared to be in order; but communications from the Governor may be read, and reports from the committee on enrollments received at any time, and the unfinished business in which the House was engaged at the last preceding adjournment, shall have preference of the orders of the day.

ARTICLE VII.—*Of Proceeding, Decorum and Debate.*

§ 1. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the House, he shall rise from his seat and respectfully address himself to "Mr. Speaker," shall confine himself to the question under debate, and avoid personality.

§ 2. When two or more members rise at once, the Speaker shall name the member who is first to speak, the others arising, having the preference next to speak.

§ 3. When a motion is made and seconded, it shall be handed to the chair, and read aloud by the Clerk before debated.

§ 4. No motion shall be stated or debated until it is seconded; and when stated by the Speaker or read by the Clerk, shall be deemed in possession of the House, but may be withdrawn at any time before a decision or amendment.

§ 5. Every motion shall be reduced to writing if the Speaker or any member desire it.

§ 6. No new motion or proposition shall be admitted under color of amendment, as a substitute for the motion or proposition under debate.

§ 7. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, but to adjourn, to lie on the table, for the previous question, to postpone inde-

finitely, to postpone to a day within the session, to commit or amend; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are in this section arranged.

§ 8. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, unless a member is speaking, and be decided without debate, and no member shall leave his seat until the result is declared.

§ 9. The previous question shall be in this form: "Shall the main question now be put?" It shall only be admitted when demanded by two-thirds of the members present, and until it is decided, shall preclude all amendment and further debate, and shall be decided without debate.

§ 10. Any member may have, as a personal right, a division of the question where the sense will admit of it.

§ 11. A motion for an amendment, until decided, shall preclude all further amendment on the main question.

§ 12. Motions and reports may be committed at the pleasure of the House.

§ 13. When the reading of a paper is called for, and the same is objected to by any member, it shall be determined by the vote of the House.

§ 14. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, without leave of the House, nor more than once, until every member choosing to speak shall have spoken.

§ 15. No member shall name another member in debate.

§ 16. If any member, in speaking or otherwise, shall transgress the rules of the House, the Speaker shall, or any member may, call him to order; in which case, the member so called to order, shall immediately sit down unless permitted to explain, and the House shall, if appealed to, decide on the case, without debate. If there be no appeal, the decision of the Chair shall be submitted to. If the decision be in favor of the member called to order, he shall be at liberty to proceed; if otherwise, and the case require it, he shall be liable to the censure of the House.

§ 17. All questions shall be propounded in the order in which they were moved, except privileged questions, which shall be propounded as stated in the 7th section of this article, and in filling up blanks, the largest sum and the longest time shall be first put.

§ 18. While the Speaker is putting any question, or addressing the House, none shall walk out or across the House, nor in such case, or when a member is speaking, or the journal reading, shall entertain private discourse, nor whilst a member is speaking, shall pass between him and the chair.

§ 19. Questions shall be distinctly put in this form, to-wit: "As many as are of opinion that (as the case may be) say aye," and after the affirmative voice is expressed, "as many as are of the contrary opinion say no." If the Speaker doubts, or a division is called for, the House shall divide; those in the affirmative of the question shall first rise from their seats, and afterwards those in the negative; if the Speaker still doubts, or a count be required, he shall name two members, one from each side to tell those in the negative; which being also reported, he shall rise and state the decision of the House.

§ 20. No member shall vote on any question, in the event of which he is immediately or particularly interested, or in any case in which he was not present.

§ 21. Every member who shall be in the House when a question is put, shall give his vote, unless the House for special reasons shall excuse him, and no member without the bar shall vote or be counted in a division.

§ 22. When a question is postponed indefinitely the same shall not be acted upon again during the session.

§ 23. When a motion has once been made and carried in the affirmative or negative, it shall be in order for any member who voted on that side which prevailed, to move a reconsideration thereof on the same day, or within three days, but not thereafter, nor at any time after the paper on which the vote passed is out of the possession of the House, or the vote shall have been communicated to the Senate.

§ 24. The yeas and nays on any question shall be entered on the journals at the desire of any two members, if requested, before the question is put.

§ 25. On taking the ayes and nays on any question, the names of the members shall be called alphabetically, except the Speaker, who shall be called last; each member shall answer from his seat, and the absentees be noted, and the names of the absentees again called over.

§ 26. In all cases of elections by the House, and when the ayes and nays are taken, the Speaker shall vote; in other cases he shall not vote, if given to the minority, make the division equal, and in case of such equal division, the question shall be lost.

§ 27. All questions relating to the priority of business to be acted on shall be decided without debate.

§ 28. On the final passage of each bill of incorporation, the ayes and nays shall be called and recorded.

§ 29. Whenever confidential communications are received from the Governor or Senate, the House shall be cleared of all persons except the members, Clerk, Sergeant-at-Arms and Door-keeper, and so continue during the reading of such communications, and unless otherwise decided by the House, during all debates and proceeding to be had thereon; and when the Speaker, or any other member, shall inform the House that he has a communication to make, which he conceives ought to be kept secret, the House shall in like manner be cleared till the communication be made, and the House determine whether the matter required secrecy or not, and act accordingly.

§ 30. The rules of Parliamentary practice, comprised in Jefferson's Manual, shall govern the House in all cases in which they are applicable, in which they are not inconsistent with the standing rules and orders of the House, and the joint rules of the Senate and House of Representatives.

ARTICLE VIII.—*Of Committees of the Whole House.*

§ 1. It shall be a standing order throughout the session, for the House to resolve itself into a committee of the whole House on the state of the Republic.

§ 2. In forming a committee of the whole House, the Speaker shall leave his chair, and a chairman preside in committee, who shall be appointed by the Speaker.

§ 3. Upon a bill being committed to committee of the whole House, the same shall be first read throughout by the clerk, and then again read

and debated by clauses, leaving the preamble to be the last considered; after report, the bill shall be again subject to debate, and amended by clauses, before a question for engrossing be taken.

§ 4. All amendments made to an original motion in committee, shall be incorporated with the motion, and so reported.

§ 5. All amendments made to a report, resolution or other matter committed to a committee of the whole House, shall be noted and reported as in case of bills.

§ 6. The rules of proceeding in the House shall be observed in committee of the whole House, as far as they are applicable, except that limiting the number of times of speaking.

§ 7. A majority of the members elected shall be a quorum to do business. And if at any time a sufficient number shall not be present in Committee of the Whole, the committee shall rise, the Speaker resume the chair, and the chairman report the cause of the rising of the committee.

§ 8. A motion for the rising of the Committee of the Whole, shall always be in order, unless a member is speaking, and to be decided without debate.

ARTICLE IX.—*Of Admission within the Hall.*

§ 1. No person except members of the Senate and their Secretary, the Governor, Lieut. Governor, Judges of the Supreme and Circuit Courts, and the Secretary of State, Attorney General, Auditor of Public Accounts, Treasurer, Governor's Private Secretary, and such gentlemen as have been members of either branch of the General Assembly, and stenographers admitted by the Speaker, shall be admitted within the Hall of the House of Representatives, unless by order of the House.

ARTICLE X.—*Of Amending Rules.*

§ 1. No Standing rule or order of the House shall be rescinded or changed, or new rules introduced without one day's notice of the motion therefor.

§ 2. No standing rule or order of the House shall be dispensed with, unless two-thirds of the members present concur therein, and all motions for that purpose shall be limited to the question or proposition.

Mr. Speaker:

The select committee appointed to prepare rules for the government of the House, beg leave to

REPORT:

That the rules adopted by the House for its government at the last session, be agreed to with the following amendments:

Amend the first section of the fourth article so as to read twenty-three standing committees, the [twenty-third to be a committee on swamp lands. Alter the number of the section so as to make the twenty-fourth section prescribe the duty of the committee on swamp lands.

§ 24. It shall be the duty of the committee on Swamp Lands, to take into consideration all bills and propositions in relation to the preservation and disposition of the lands donated to the State of Missouri, by act of Congress, approved 28th September, 1850, for the purpose of enabling the State to drain and reclaim the inundated lands, and lands rendered unfit for cultivation thereby; also, all bills and propositions in relation to the disposition of the proceeds thereof, and also all bills and propositions for carrying into effect the objects of the donation.

§ 24 Shall be altered so as to read 25—and 25 to read 26—and 26 to read 27—and 27 to read 28, respectively.

Mr. Allen, of St. Louis, offered the following amendments, by resolution, which were agreed to;

Resolved, That the rules and orders of the House be amended as follows: In the first section of the 4th article, strike out the words "twenty-three," and in lieu thereof insert the words "twenty-four," before the words "standing committees."

In the same article insert after the words, "a committee on Swamp Lands," the words, "a committee on Lunatic Asylum, to consist of eight members."

Also, in the same article, insert an additional section, to be numbered section 25, and to read as follows: It shall be the duty of the committee on the Lunatic Asylum, to take into consideration all petitions, reports, propositions and ether matters which may be referred to them relating to the State Lunatic Asylum, its buildings, the internal police of the Institution, or in any respect concerning the same, to recommend such amendments and alterations of the law in regard thereto, and report such bills and propositions thereon as they may deem expedient.

Also, in the same article, change the numbers of certain sections so that section 25 shall read section 26, and section 26 shall read section 27, and section 27 shall read section 28.

JOINT RULES OF BOTH HOUSES.

§ 1. When the business requires the attendance of the Senate in the Representatives' chamber, they, with their Secretary, shall be conducted within the bar, and there seated, and when so assembled, the President of the Senate shall preside, and every member of the Senate and House of Representatives shall be at liberty to make motions and debate, and the rules of the House of Representatives shall govern, as if that House were in committee of the whole House.

§ 2. When a message shall be sent from one House to the other, it shall be announced by the door-keeper thereof, and the import thereof respectfully communicated to the Speaker or President, as the case may be, by the person by whom it is sent.

§ 3. While bills are on their passage between the two Houses, they shall be on paper, under the signature of the Secretary or Clerk of each House respectively.

§ 4. After a bill shall have passed both Houses, it shall be duly enrolled on paper by the Clerk of the House, where the same shall have originated, before it shall be presented to the Governor.

§ 5. When bills are enrolled, they shall be examined by a joint committee of three from the Senate and six from the House of Representatives, appointed as a standing committee for that purpose, one of whom on the part of the Senate, shall be sufficient to examine and compare the enrolled with the engrossed bills, as passed in both Houses, and correcting any errors that may be discovered in the enrolled bills, and make their report forthwith to their respective Houses.

§ 6. After examination and report, each bill shall be signed in its respective House: first by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and then by the President of the Senate.

§ 7. After a bill shall have been thus signed, it shall be presented to the Governor for his approbation; it being first endorsed on the back of the bill, certifying in which House the same originated; which endorsement shall be signed by the Clerk or Secretary of the House in which the same did originate, and shall be entered on the journals of each House.

§ 8. All orders and resolutions which are to be presented to the Governor for his approbation, shall also be previously examined and signed, and shall be presented in the same manner and by the same committee as provided in case of bills.

§ 9. When a bill or resolution shall have passed one House, shall be signed in the other, notice thereof shall be given the House in which the same originated.

§ 10. When any papers may come officially before either House of the General Assembly, or any communication of the Governor, and are proper to be acted upon by both Houses, the House before whom such papers are laid or to which such communications are made, shall, as soon as they have proceeded and acted upon the same, lay a copy before the other House.

§ 11. When a vacancy shall happen in either House, notice thereof shall be given to the other House.

§ 12. When any new business shall be commenced in either House in which it is necessary for the other to act, notice thereof shall be given to the other House.

§ 13. All messages and communications between the two Houses shall be conveyed by the Clerk or a member of the House originating the same.

LETTER FROM HON. THOS. H. BENTON, ACCOMPANYING A PRESENT OF BOOKS TO THE HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, December 16, 1854.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

DEAR SIR: I send to you for the use of the House over which you preside, four copies of Hickey's edition of the Constitution of the United States; two sets of the President's message, and documents of the last session; and two copies of the Congressional Globe and Appendix of the last session.

Respectfully, sir,

Your obedient servant,

THOMAS H. BENTON.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE BANK OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI.

Your Committee beg leave to report, that they have had under consideration the subject of the Bank of the State of Missouri—that after due deliberation, they have agreed to recommend a renewal and extension of the existing charter of said Bank—the extension to be for the period of twenty years next succeeding the expiration of the existing charter of said Bank.

Your Committee further recommend that the capital stock of said Bank under the renewed and extended charter, shall be five millions of dollars, one-half of which amount shall be held by the State. That thirteen persons shall be elected as Directors of said Bank, four of the number to be nominated by the Governor biennially, and confirmed by the Senate, and the residue, to be elected annually by the private stockholders; and the thirteen thus elected, shall annually elect one of their own number to serve as President of said Bank.

Your Committee recommend further, that in addition to the amount of stock already subscribed by the State, the Governor shall be authorized to subscribe from time to time for the State, an amount of stock equal to the amount subscribed by the private stockholders, so that the aggregate amount of stock held by the State, shall at no time be less than the amount held by the private stockholders.

Your Committee recommend a continuance of the existing Branches of said Bank, for the period of twenty years as aforesaid. That there shall be nine Directors and a President for each Branch, three of which Directors shall be nominated biennially by the Governor, and confirmed by the Senate, and the residue shall be elected by the private stockholders; and the nine thus elected, shall choose one from their own number to act as President for twelve months, or until his successor shall be qualified. That the capital of the Branches shall, from time to time, be increased, but such increase shall not exceed twenty-five per cent. of the aggregate increase of the capital stock of the Parent Bank, and the amount thus provided for the use of the Branches shall be distributed among said Branches as may be deemed most advisable by the President and Directors of the Parent Bank.

Your Committee have decided to add some additional sections to the charter as proposed to be renewed and extended, changing materially in some respects, the features of the existing charter. We have deemed it advisable to recommend among other modifications of the existing charter, a change in the denominations of notes, adding the privilege of issuing notes of the denomination of five dollars. Some other sections in the existing charter have likewise been amended. These changes have been made with reference to the greater security to be thereby gained. They are intended to impose restrictions which your Committee can but hope will insure to the Bank and its Branches the most favorable results. All changes made have been deemed advisable, if not indispensable—they have been suggested by the experience and observation of the commercial world for years past.

Your Committee cannot believe it necessary to add any thing, in the way of argument, to recommend the adoption of the measures herein referred

to. The existence of the Bank, the renewal and extension of its charter, are, as they conceive, measures deeply affecting the welfare of the whole State of Missouri. The amount of stocks now held by the State, including the School fund, the Seminary fund, and the Sinking fund, is \$954,205 22. On this stock, the State is receiving sixteen per cent. per annum, net, besides deriving other material advantages from the financial agency of said bank. To refuse a renewal and extension of the charter, would subject the State to the hazard of a serious depreciation of these stocks. It is not likely, that so secure an investment could be made in any manner, that would insure a like favorable result. The successful operations of said Bank for several years past, warrant us in assuming that there is no just ground for unfavorable apprehension in regard to the success of its future management.

In addition to these suggestions, your Committee cannot refrain from the expression of their conviction, that, a renewal and extension of the Bank charter, as proposed, would have a most beneficial effect, not only on our commercial prosperity, but would greatly benefit the whole country, particularly in suppressing and superceding the comparatively inferior, and certainly more dangerous, currency of other States—by the circulation of which, amongst us, much injury and great wrong has been done to the people of our State.

Your Committee have prepared a draft of a renewed and extended charter, which, along with the foregoing, we respectfully submit.

G. W. GOODE, *Chairman of Committee.*

COMMUNICATION FROM SECRETARY OF STATE.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE, }
Jefferson City, Mo., March 5th, 1855. }

To the Hon. the House of Representatives.

GENTLEMEN: In accordance with the twelfth section of "an act to regulate the office of Secretary of State," approved March 8th, 1845; I have the honor to report, there has been expended for stationery, for the use of the present General Assembly during the present session, the sum of two thousand five hundred and ninety-one dollars and forty-eight cents. This amount does not include the cost of freight, drayage &c., which have not been paid. These items when paid will increase the amount to near twenty-seven hundred dollars. There is of this stationery unused and now on hand about six hundred dollars' worth.

Among the items of stationery consumed during the present session, is twenty-one gallons ink, eighty-five gross pens and thirty thousand envelopes.

Considering the comfort and satisfaction of members, the convenience of this office, and believing it will be more economical, I think it advisable hereafter to purchase a separate bill of stationery for each member. That your honorable body may be well advised on the subject, I will mention the most important articles to be included in such bill, in order if there shall be any objection to such a course, there will be an opportunity to make it known. The articles are as follows, to wit: a half ream of cap,

letter and note paper, the best to be found in the market, a desk knife, ink erasure, paper folder, diamond^d pointed pen with silver case, and such other articles of minor importance as will, in my opinion, add to the convenience and comfort of members.

Very respectfully

JOHN M. RICHARDSON, *Secretary of State*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO WHOM WAS REFERRED THE BILL REGULATING INTEREST, &c.,

Your Committee would state that the subject of the usury laws has been investigated by them with reference to the argument most frequently urged against their proposed abrogation, and we still remain unmoved in our conviction that those laws ought to be abolished—that they originated in a policy which, whatever may have been the consistency of the reason on which it was founded, has long since become nugatory.

Most of the laws, customs and usages of ancient times, have yielded to the influence of a more enlightened civilization—the hand of reform has, for centuries, been busy at the work of change; and there now remain but few of those laws, customs and usages which have not been radically changed or essentially modified. The law of imprisonment for debt, the freehold franchise, and a few other laws peculiar to, and consistent only with the spirit of monarchical government, remain to attest the unwillingness with which society relinquishes its devotion to the institutions of the olden time. But that feeling is rapidly abating, as is shown by the recent action of the British Parliament, particularly on the subject of the usury laws.

In the month of July last, a law was passed by Parliament, making it lawful in the United Kingdom of Great Britain “to loan money at any rate of interest, and on any description of property, either real estate or otherwise”—the bill was brought up in the House of Lords immediately after its passage through Parliament, and finally passed that body (the House of Lords) in the month of August last—it soon thereafter received the royal assent, and is now the law of the land. In New York, a like movement has recently been made to abolish the usury laws in that State, and we cannot doubt but that it will be successful.

In October last, a committee appointed by the Chamber of Commerce of the city of New York—and which is a body ranking first among the most enlightened mercantile associations in this country—made a report in favor of a repeal of all the usury laws in that State; said report was unanimously adopted by that body, and with equal unanimity they recommended and caused to be prepared a memorial to the Legislature of the State to abolish all such laws.

Hunt's Magazine, devoted to the mercantile and financial affairs of the country, and which is universally admitted to be the most reliable authority on such matters, says in a recent number that “public sentiment throughout the country has of late been directed more generally than ever before, to the subject of a repeal or modification of the usury laws—and scarcely a leading journal North or South, East or West, reaches us that does not urge a change in these superannuated enactments; and this too, at a time

when money has been commanding a high rate of interest. In all our commercial and industrial towns, the borrower and the lender, the capitalist and the customer, alike demand the entire abolition, or radical modification of statutes so adverse to the principles of untrammelled trade."

These indications of the popular feeling on this subject, furnish, as we conceive, a very strong argument in support of our position. We cannot comprehend the reasoning which seeks to justify the usury laws, and the demoralizing practices, the unworthy devices and discreditable subterfuges to which they give rise. The general law of property, sanctions the free use and unconditional disposal by sale or otherwise, of every kind of estate or interest a man may possess in absolute right—money is the only species of property excepted from this unconditional use and disposal—and why is this? What is the policy, reason or justice of this exception? We humbly conceive there can be none given. To show the absurdity of such a law, we might give many illustrations—let one suffice. A man has a hundred dollars, with which he buys a horse, and straightway hires him out for one dollar per day—this is lawful—the next day he sells the horse for one hundred dollars, and loans out the money for one dollar per day, and this is unlawful! And why is it unlawful? We cannot comprehend the reason, much less the justice of such a distinction. There is but one conclusion consistent with this anomalous distinction—it is that while the people are capable of managing all other kinds of property they may have, they are not capable of managing their money, therefore it is that the law shall manage it for them—thus it is in practice, that men of full age, are made minors as to the use of their money, and a guardianship virtually established for their benefit. The restriction, which the usury law makes in the use of money, is in violent conflict with the proud boast of man's capacity for self government—in this one particular, the assumption as to his all-sufficient capacity, is contradicted by the record. We conceive the law to be not only unreasonable, but unjust and in conflict with the wisdom, spirit and policy of our civil and social organization. It cannot be expected that we should, in a limited report, embrace all the arguments and illustrations that might readily be brought forward to demonstrate the injurious operation of the usury laws. Yet we can but hope that enough has been shown to prove how just and how necessary is their immediate abrogation.

In conclusion, there is one paramount consideration which we beg to mention—it is the demoralizing effects of the usury laws; and how great is the temptation which these laws offer to the people to violate the good faith which is implied in all laws. We know that the usury laws are daily violated by both high and low; and the example thus set, is but too readily seized upon as a persuasive argument to justify the violation of other laws. A disregard to all law is thus, to a greater or less extent, superinduced by the habitual disregard of these usury laws. We believe that the evil consequences arising from this cause alone, will more than counterbalance all the good, if any there be, resulting from the continuance of said laws. For the foregoing reasons, to say nothing of many others which might be adduced, we respectfully and unanimously recommend the passage of the accompanying bill.

G. W. GOODE, ALEX. W. DONIPHAN, ALBERT TODD, FRANCIS P. BLAIR.	}	Committee.
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REPORT OF THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY OF THE
COMMITTEE ON INTERNAL IMPROVEMENTS.

The Majority of the Committee on Internal Improvements, of the House of Representatives, beg leave to present the following report.

The Joint Committee of the Senate and House of Representatives, on Internal Improvements, have had under consideration several measures proposed for aiding the completion of the Railroads of the State. It was evident that the Railroads had not progressed as rapidly as had been expected, and that some means must be devised to help them. It did not seem prudent for the State to assume the construction of the roads, or to advance to individuals the large amount necessary. The whole capital needed, not being available in the State, a great portion of it must be borrowed from the accumulation of foreign wealth. A little examination showed the Committee, that the source of difficulty was in the lien held by the State on the different roads, and thus necessarily retarded the negotiation of loans abroad. (To this last assertion Cunningham disagrees.) The Committee believe that the principle on which State aid was originally given to the Railroads was correct, viz: one dollar from the State (to a fixed amount,) for every dollar from private sources, and that the State should have priority of claim. But the Committee also believe, that this priority or lien of the State, should be on the private stock, and not on the road itself, and that the road itself, so fast as built, should be used as a credit on which to borrow money from abroad, for their construction and completion.

A bill was therefore proposed, in which the leading ideas were as follows: no increase of State credit, to roads to which aid had been extended, except to equalize the Iron Mountain Railroad; authority given to the Companies to make first mortgage on the road for money borrowed, to be only applicable to the construction of the particular road; for every dollar of bonds from the State, a dollar to be paid in from stock without lien on road; deposit with the Governor of guaranteed or preferred stock, to insure prompt payment of interest; State to have two Directors; Board of Public works, having no control over the management of the works, but with power to examine into the construction and management, and in case not satisfied, they, with the Governor, may stop issue of more bonds, and may through the Supreme Court, enjoin all funds; the private stock (equal in amount to the State aid,) not to get profits, interest or dividend, from any means of the Companies, whether received from the State or from money borrowed, on road or lands directly or indirectly, until all liabilities have been provided for, including State aid Sinking Fund, &c.

The order of security is as follows:

- 1st. For money loaned to continue the construction.
- 2nd. For State bonds.
- 3rd. For the private stock.

The Committee believe that under this plan the roads could be completed and that by their completion, and partial State influence and control provided for, (just enough to prevent mismanagement, but not enough to neutralize the benefits of interested individual control,) that the State was more fully protected than under the original lien on the different roads.

The bill embodying the above principles was reported, and not having been finally acted on there, has not yet reached this house.

The undersigned members of the Committee, dissent strongly from the foregoing recommendation to remove the State lien, and ask further time to submit a minority report.

CUNNINGHAM,
BRITTON,
GENTRY.

LETTER FROM DEAF AND DUMB PUPILS TO THE
MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

INSTITUTION FOR THE DEAF AND DUMB, }
Fulton, February 13, 1855.

To the Honorable Members of the Legislature of Missouri:

We desire to express to you our gratitude for your kindness and attention to us while we were in Jefferson City.

We now have a pleasant home provided by the liberality of the Legislature of this State. Before we came here, our minds were stupid and ignorant. We did not know of the existence of the Supreme Being, of a heaven, a hell, or of a hereafter. We were sad, disobedient and wicked. Now we are becoming wiser, and we hope better. We can read and converse with our parents and friends. Our hearts are often thus made glad. Our misfortune is not so great now. We shall try to become more worthy of your liberality and kindness by our industry in learning.

Permit us to say in conclusion, we hope when the dread summons shall come to each one of you to enter the unseen world, you may be cheered and strengthened by the recollection that you did not forget to minister to the want of the children of sorrow. The Deaf and Dumb will never forget your kindness to them.

We are with the greatest respect,

Your grateful friends,
H. C. ENGLISH,
MARTHA BAILEY,
SARAH A. TALBOT,
LUCY E. FARROW,
MARGARET BROCKING,
MARY J. McCULLUM,
ALBERT KOHLMETZ,
ALEX. M. McMULLEN.

Pupils in the Missouri Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PRINTING PROF. SWALLOW'S REPORT ON GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

The Standing Committee on Public Printing, to whom was committed the duty of inquiring into the cost of printing two thousand copies of Prof. Swallow's report upon the Geological Survey of the State, with instructions to report to the House the estimated cost of the same, without the maps, diagrams, &c., accompanying said report, have instructed me to report, the information they have been able to gather upon the subject, without expressing any opinion as to the expediency or in expediency of printing the report, which information is herewith submitted, based upon the estimate furnished the committee by the Public Printer, and upon information derived by an interview with Prof. Swallow :

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or \$1 per copy.	
All of which is respectfully submitted.	

J. M. BEAN, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE THE REGISTER OF LANDS' OFFICE.

To the Honorable the General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

The undersigned, a committee appointed to examine into the condition of the office of Register of Lands, beg leave to make the following

REPORT:

In regard to the manner in which the letters, reports of commissioners, etc., have been kept in said office, from its organization, it is almost impossible to arrive at the true condition of the five hundred thousand acre grant; and your Committee feel confident that a full record of all the proceedings, in regard thereto, should be made in a well bound book, in accordance with the plan pointed out by the Register, in his report.

The letters of instructions from the Secretary of the Treasury, from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, to the Governor and Commissioners of this State, and from the Governor to the different State Commissioners, and the various reports of the different Land Offices, are only filed in the office, and are liable to loss and injury by frequent handlings, etc.; all of which would be made plain, practicable and durable, by being recorded in well bound books, prepared for that purpose. We would also state, that the papers and documents in regard to the Saline Lands have been kept in the same loose manner.

In our examinations we discovered that the former Register had left certain records unfinished, which he was required by law to make, in regard to the sale of the five hundred thousand acre grant; and from the year 1846 to 1849 no record of the sales of said grant of land has been made according to law; and the present Register, from this fact, has also failed to record said sales. Your Committee do not deem this a sufficient reason for the present Register's failure to have the same recorded, since he came into office, but at the same time, it cannot be expected that so much back-work should be done by him, without further remuneration.

We would call your attention to the fact, that since the opening of the Land Offices, under the Graduation Bill, much larger quantities of land are being entered, than formerly, which will much increase the labors of said office.

The act of 1849, making it the duty of the Register to record all the original delinquent lists in his office, yearly imposes a very onerous duty upon him, when at the same time, the regular duties of his office are rapidly increasing.

We would urge upon the Legislature the necessity of requiring the Register to employ sufficient aid to keep up the business of said office, and to enable him to do so, further compensation should be granted.

From an examination of the records of said office, we are of the opinion that a numerical assessment of all taxable lands in the State, is the best and surest mode of taxation, as it will avoid the inconvenience under which we labor by the alphabetical system, and thereby save much clerical labor in the office of Register of Lands.

That from our investigations we find that the present Register has performed, during the year eighteen hundred and forty-nine and the year eighteen hundred and fifty, a large amount of back-work left by the former Register, for which he has never been repaid, the amount actually expended from his private funds; therefore we recommend that he be paid said amount.

In conclusion, your Committee would remark that the books and papers in said office are now well arranged, and kept in a neat manner; we would particularly refer to the report of the Register, made at the present ses-

sion for full particulars, as to the varied operations of the land system of the State.

Respectfully submitted,
JNO. T. COFFEE, Senate.
N. MOTHERSEAD,
WM. S. MOSELEY,
House of Representatives.

ANSWER OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO SENATE RESOLUTION, IN REGARD TO THE APPOINTMENT AND PAY OF REVISORS.

OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL,
Jefferson City, Friday Morning, March 2d, 1855. }

To the Honorable General Assembly of Missouri:

The following resolution was delivered to me yesterday evening, by the Door-keeper of the Senate:

"Resolved, That the Attorney General be requested to inform the Senate, whether, in his opinion, the appointment of members of the Legislature to revise the laws, creates an office, such as a member of the Legislature cannot constitutionally hold and exercise; and if a member may hold and exercise said office of Revisor? Can the Legislature constitutionally pay said Revisors more than three dollars per diem, for services as Revisors, and that he be respectfully requested to report to-morrow morning.

"March 1st, 1855."

The Constitution provides that no Senator or Representative shall, during the term for which he shall have been elected, be appointed to any civil office under this State, which shall have been created, or the emoluments of which shall have been increased during his continuance in office, except to such offices as shall be filled by elections of the people, *Art. 3, Sec. 16.*

An office under the State, is a right to exercise a public employment, and to take the fees and emoluments thereto belonging, *Webster's Dictionary; 2 Black. Comm. c. 3, p. 36; Bayard Chief Justice; 3 Harrington, 299; 2 Tomlin, 665.* There is a difference between an office and an employment, every office being an employment; but there are employments which do not come under the denomination of offices, such as an agreement to make hay, plough land, or herd a flock, *2 Tomlin, 665;* but this distinction obviously has no application to public employments. Every employment in the body politic of a State is an office, *3 Harrington, 299.* Every man is a public officer who hath any duty concerning the public; and he is not the less a public officer where his authority is confined to narrow limits, because it is the duty of his office, and the nature of that duty which makes him a public officer, and not the extent of his authority, *2 Tomlin, 665.*

I have no doubt, therefore, but that a revision of the laws is a public employment coming clearly within the definition of a "civil office under

the State," but whether created during the term for which members of the present General Assembly have been elected, is another question. The Constitution provides that all the statute laws of a general nature, both civil and criminal, shall be revised, digested and promulgated, every period of ten years, in such manner as the General Assembly may direct, *Article 3, Sec. 35*. The practice of the government, and subsequent Constitutional amendments, clearly establish that the General Assembly may itself revise the laws, without directing it to be done by others: *see Amendments ratified at the first session of the fifteenth General Assembly*. Every member, therefore, of the General Assembly, is a revisor of the laws, at each revising session, by force of the Constitution. His appointment on a joint committee of revision does not change his office. If it did, the appointment of any member upon any committee, would both create and kill, appoint and exclude at the same moment. That the committee are to sit during the adjournment, can make no difference. The adjournment will be no more than a continuation of the session from one day to another, or for a fortnight, or for a month, *ad libitum*. All matters depending will remain in *statu quo*, and when the General Assembly meets again, be the term ever so distant, will be resumed without any fresh commencement, at the point at which they may be left: 1 *Black. Comm.* 186; *Jefferson's Manual*, 108. There can be no difference in principle, between the sitting of a committee after an adjournment from one day to another, and after an adjournment for a fortnight, a month, or until fall. It is the character of the adjournment that is material, and not the time. The appointment of members of the General Assembly to revise the laws, does not, therefore, in my opinion, create a "civil office under this State," within the meaning of the Constitution.

But the Constitution also provides that the members of the General Assembly, shall severally receive from the public Treasury, a compensation for their services, which may, from time to time, be increased or diminished by law, but no alteration, increasing or tending to increase the compensation of members, shall take effect during the session at which such alteration shall be made. This provision is too clear for doubt. No member of the General Assembly can receive from the public Treasury, a higher compensation than that allowed by law, at the time of his election. He must either claim such compensation as a member of the General Assembly, or other officer of the Government. If the former, the Constitution peremptorily confirms his compensation, to the amount fixed by law at the time of his election; if the latter, it as peremptorily prohibits him from rendering the service. There is no such restriction as to the compensation of the officers of either House. It has been, and may at any time, be increased during the session, without a violation of the Constitution. I do not, of course, include the President of the Senate, or Speaker of the House. Their compensation is provided for in the amendments to the Constitution before referred to. What is the difference, in principle, between increasing the pay of one member and all? Of one committee, and not the rest? Of the committee on Revision, and not the committee on the Judiciary? If the power to increase exists, reasons for its exercise can easily be found. All committees ought, in such case, to be paid according to the labors imposed upon them, including *the committee of the Whole*.

My opinion, therefore, is, that members of the General Assembly may

be appointed to revise the laws, and may sit for that purpose, during the adjournment; but can only receive the compensation of members of the General Assembly, as fixed by the Constitution and law, at the time of their election; and the amount, whether three dollars a day or one, will clearly come within the operation of the Constitutional amendment before referred to.

Respectfully,
JAMES B. GARDENHIRE,
Attorney General.

MEMORIAL OF THE GRAND LODGE AT LEXINGTON.

To the General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

The undersigned, Board of Curators and Faculty of the Masonic College, located at Lexington, Missouri, respectfully petition your honorable body to adopt such enactments, as in your wisdom may be necessary, to furnish the means, and make it the duty of the "State Geologist," to collect and preserve, in addition to the three already provided for, a *fourth complete set of Geological and Mineralogical specimens*, to be deposited in the Masonic College at Lexington, Missouri.

This Institution was organized about ten years ago, under an act of incorporation for that purpose, granted by the General Assembly to the Grand Lodge of "Free and Accepted Ancient Masons of the State of Missouri." An endowment fund has since been provided, sufficient for the permanent employment of an efficient corps of instructors. A library, chemical and philosophical apparatus, and other appliances for instruction have been provided on a liberal scale. The Institution is patronized from every section of the State, and from other States. Already, a number of its graduates are among the efficient business and professional men of the country; and from its portals, many have gone forth to "teach the young idea how to shoot," in our Common Schools.

Here, too, a home has been provided for the destitute orphan. Of one hundred and eighty-one, (181) students in actual attendance during the last scholastic year, nine were furnished with board, lodging, washing, books, stationery, &c., and tuition, from funds of the College, and twenty-seven receive instruction free of charge for tuition. The number of such this year will be about the same.

It would seem, to the undersigned, to comport well with the enlightened policy which dictated this Geological Survey, for the State to furnish permanently endowed Institutions, such as this of ours, with the rich treasures of knowledge afforded by the report of the State Geologist, with accompanying maps, charts, &c., and a complete collection of specimens of the geological formations and mineral deposits of our State. The influence of such a measure in elevating the standard of acquisition in our schools, public and private, and infusing a relish for scientific knowledge, not only with a view to its application to scientific pursuits, but its practical application in the arts, and in agricultural pursuits, is incalculable. From our public schools must emanate those who are to give character to

the standard of acquisition in the private and common schools, as teachers and patrons; and in the estimation of the undersigned no single act of legislation could be more efficient in elevating the character of both, than such as that proposed. The comparatively small additional expense to the State, it is respectfully suggested, would be amply repaid in the beneficial influence to result from the measure.

The confidence of the undersigned in the intelligence, patriotism and liberality of the members of your honorable body, forbids any attempt at supporting their petition by arguments at length. They therefore, conclude by asking frankly and respectfully, a deliberate consideration of the merits of the object for which they petition.

Very respectfully,

L. S. CORNWELL,
President of Board of Curators.

JNO. WILLIAMS, *Secretary.*
Lexington, Feb. 1, 1855.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO WAIT UPON THE CHAPLAIN.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

The Committee appointed to wait upon Rev. J. Boyle and inform him of his election as Chaplain of the House, have discharged that duty, and herewith submit his reply as a part of our report.

WM. BURNETT,
N. MOTHERSEAD, } *Committee.*
GEO. S. SMITH,

REPLY OF THE CHAPLAIN.

JEFFERSON CITY, Dec. 27, 1854.

GENTLEMEN: Your polite note of this date, informing me of my election as "Chaplain of the House of Representatives," is before me.

It will afford me sincere gratification to perform the duties thus designated. Praying that you may have a harmonious and useful session,

I am, yours very respectfully,

J. BOYLE.

To Messrs. W. BURNETT,
NATH'L MOTHERSEAD, } *Committee.*
GEO. S. SMITH,

LETTER OF INVITATION FROM THE ATHENÆAN SOCIETY.

COLUMBIA, February 15th, 1855.

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

GENTLEMEN — As the representative of the Athenæan Society, I have the honor and pleasure of tendering you an invitation of that body to attend their exhibition in the Chapel of the University, on the night of the 22d of Feb., 1855. And now, permit me, gentlemen, to indulge in the hope that you will honor us with your attendance on that occasion, and that we, the students of *your* University, may have the privilege of speaking before you.

Yours respectfully,

A. L. GUSMAN,
Cor Sec'y Athenæan Society.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE. }
 City of Jefferson, Missouri, January 24th, 1855. }

To the Honorable the House of Representatives :

GENTLEMEN: Your resolution of this instant requires me to furnish the House with the "amount of the three per cent. road and canal fund, the 500,000 acre grant fund, and also school moneys which have been paid to the county of Scott."

In reply, I have the honor to say, there is no *legal* evidence in this office, that any money has ever been paid to Scott county. I find by examining the record, there was apportioned to Scott county of the school moneys the following amounts:

7th apportionment, made January, 1848, - - - -	\$374 80
8th apportionment, made January, 1849, - - - -	388 44
9th apportionment, made January, 1850, - - - -	183 04

In the tenth, eleventh and twelfth apportionments made in January of the years 1851, 2, and 3, Scott county is noted as sending up "no report." In the first, second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth apportionments, the name of Scott county is not to be found; of course she got no money for those years, but the reason why does not appear upon the record.

As before stated, there is no evidence in this office, to show Scott county ever received this money. That evidence is required by law, to be on file in the office of the Auditor of Public Accounts, and I have no doubt, but what it is there.

I am, gentlemen,

Very respectfully,

JOHN M. RICHARDSON,
Secretary of State.

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a bill for the benefit of L. A. Labeaume and M. L. Labeaume	321	321	321	361	417	433 441
a bill for the benefit of agriculture	321	321				
a bill for the relief of Thomas Hambrick	339	339	339	413	454	466 484
a bill to change the name of Francis Marion Wells, of Boone county, to that of Francis Marion Connelly	339	339	339	413	455	466 485
a bill for the benefit of John H. Marsh	339	339	339			342
a bill to change the names of John F. Greenwood, Henry Greenwood, Ruth E. Greenwood, David L. Greenwood and George Greenwood, of Butler county	339	339	339	413	455	467 484
a bill for the relief of John Chappell	339	339	339	413	450	461 501
a bill for the relief of P. R. Hayden, Benjamin Tompkins and R. D. Perry	339	339	339			
a bill for the relief of Stephen P. Nockolls, of Atchison county	339	339	339	413	449	477 501
a bill to change the name of Elias Alexander Knight to George W. Alexander	340	340	340	418	417	433 441
a bill for the benefit of Baylie Payton	340	340	340	402	492	496 498
a bill to change the name of Elvira Roby, of Monroe county	356	356	356	414	460	467 484
a bill to change the name of Rebecca Smith	356	356	356	414	427	444 456
a bill in relation to the heirs of Rob't Adkins, deceased	373	373	373	414	449	461 502
a bill for the relief of James Patton and others	373	373	373	414	449	477 501
a bill for the relief of James C. Waugh and others	373	373	373	414	454	466 486
a bill for the benefit of Sarah S. Williams	397	397	397	415	492	496 498
a bill to change the name of Mrs. Emma Route	397	397	397	415	449	462 501
a bill for the relief of Littleton H. Conklin, late sheriff of Schuyler county	397	397	446	477	482	490 502
a bill for the relief of Robert Greer and Jeremiah Tillery, late sheriffs, and John Seal, present sheriff, of Clinton county	419	419	419	476	498	496 497

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<i>Relief continued—</i>						
a bill for the benefit of Lewis M. Frazier, of Lincoln county.....	421	421	421	462	463	477 501
a bill to change the name of Betty P. Thompson.....	421	421	421	468	493	500 499
a bill for the relief of justices of the peace of Parkville.....	422	422	422	477		496 498
a bill for the relief of Aylett H. Buckner, of St. Louis county.....	424	424	424	494	499 501	497
a bill for the relief of Eliza McMurtry.....	457	457	457		477 494	484
a bill authorizing Lucinda Seals, executor of Coleman Seals, late of the county of Osage, to sell real estate.....	61	61	61	476	482	490 503
a bill to legalize and confirm a title to a deed of conveyance, from Leland Barnes Hawkins to William Buford.....	83	83	83			442
a bill to amend an act to authorize the sale of real estate.....	172	172	172	217	226	242 251
a bill to authorize the administration of the estate of Thomas Maupin, deceased, in Gasconade county.....	174	174	174	242	254	270 290
a bill to amend an act for the benefit of Congressional township numbers fifty-one and fifty-two, in Carroll county.....	235	235	235	401	427	444 456
a bill to authorize Reuben Carter to sell certain real estate.....	238	238	238	425	460	467 484
a bill to authorize the curator of the minor heirs of Daniel E. Holt, deceased, to lay off and sell town lots.....	277	277	277	360	365	376 381
a bill to legalize the marriage of Josiah M. D. Carnes and Margaret Blackwell.....	312	313	313		428	443 455
a bill to authorize the sale of real estate.....	294	294	294	401	427	444 456
a bill to authorize the sale of real estate.....	294	294	294	402	449	461 501
a bill to authorize the minor heirs of Sinthia Trotter to sell real estate.....	315	315	315	369	392	426 434
a bill in relation to the estate of Gorman and Bowmen.....	315	315	315	369	392	427 435
a bill respecting the executors of Martin Kemper, deceased, late of Lincoln county.....	315	315	315	369	372	379 385
a bill to authorize the administrator of B. A. Ramsey, deceased, to sell certain real estate.....	317	317	317	371	385	393 403
a bill to authorize Samuel F. Haywood to sell real estate.....	339	339	339	414	422	496
a bill concerning the conveyance of certain real estate.....	339	339	339	402	432	496 456
a bill to legalize and perfect a deed of conveyance from John Bradley and wife, to Marcellus F. Dunn.....	340	340	340	402	432	496 498
a bill to authorize Jesse Benton to convey certain real estate.....	340	340	340	413	462	490 502
a bill to legalize the sale of certain real estate in Stone county, made by John Cox, administrator of John Birchfield, deceased.....	419	419	419	476	492	493 493
<i>ROADS—PLANK AND RAIL:—</i>						
a bill to amend an act to incorporate the Platte County Railroad, and to expedite the construction of said railroad.....	51	51	252	253	263	324 325 279 286
a bill to amend the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad charter.....	55	249 251 55 248	251	308	390	467 485
a bill to amend an act entitled, an act to authorize the formation of railroad associations, and regulate the same.....	82	82				
a bill to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Louisiana and Middleton Plank or McAdamized Road Company.....	163	163	163	250	269	269 290
a bill concerning the Columbia and Missouri River Plank-Road Company.....	166	166	166	241	390	433 441 416
a bill amendatory of an act entitled, an act to authorize the formation of railroad associations, and to regulate the same, approved February 24th, 1853....	166	166				

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Roads—Plank and Rail, continued—						
a bill to give certain powers to the Louisiana and Frankford Plank-road Company, in the county of Pike.....	174	174	174	242	259	270 230
a bill granting the Des Moines River Navigation and Railroad Company, the right of way.....	279	279	279	372	427	444 456
a bill explanatory of an act to authorize the formation of railroad associations, and to regulate the same....	285	285	285	372	386	394 415
a bill amendatory of an act to authorize the formation and construction of Plank and McAdamized roads, approved February 27th, 1851.....	288	288	288	400	449	461 502
a bill respecting the Independence and Missouri River Railroad Company, in Jackson county.....	288	288	288	400	460	467 484
a bill to revive and amend an act to incorporate the Sacramento and St. Joseph Railroad.....	339	339	339	414	449	461 502
a bill to aid in the construction of the Pacific Railroad.....	391	431 435 404 417	391 394	440 454	460 467	
a bill for the benefit of the Hannibal, Ralls County and Paris Plank Road Company.....	421	421	421	468	492	496 498
a bill to amend an act to incorporate the Mississippi Valley Railroad, North, approved Feb'y 23, 1853.....	446	446	446	468	493	501 497
a bill to amend an act to incorporate the Platte Country Railroad Company, and to expedite the construction of said road.....	486	486			483 490	
a bill to incorporate the Weston and Clinton County Railroad Company.....	45	45	423	423	475	482 495 502
a bill to incorporate the Lafayette Branch of the Pacific Railroad.....	55	55				
a bill to incorporate the Dunklin and Pemiscot Plank-road Company.....	163	163	206	206	241	255 259 289
a bill to incorporate the Western Missouri Railroad Company.....	165	165	255	255	371	428 444 455
a bill to incorporate the Chillicothe, Trenton and Princeton Graded Road Company.....	173	173	173	242	254	270 290
a bill to incorporate the Chillicothe, Springhill and Bethany Graded Road Company.....	178	178	265	265	371	386 393 290
a bill to incorporate the Bollinger County McAdamized Road Company.....	238	238	279	279	372	392 426 434
a bill to incorporate the Weston and Randolph County Railroad.....	420	420	420	468	494	501 496
a bill to incorporate the Parkville and Ridgley Railroad Company.....	425	425	425	475	482	495 502
Roads—STATE AND COUNTY:—						
a bill to establish a State road in the counties of Jefferson, Franklin and Washington.....	48	48	48	258	266	270 290
a bill to locate a State road from Weston to Kickapoo Ferry, in Platte county.....	51	51	51	59	70	81 98
a bill to repeal an act, to provide for laying out roads and highways in the several counties of this State, approved March 8d, 1851.....	51	51				
a bill to view, mark out and locate a State road in Taney, Stone and Barry counties.....	66	66	66	258	280	286 304
a bill to repeal an act entitled, an act for opening and repairing roads and highways, in Andrew county, approved February 24th, 1853.....	82	82	82	107	125	142 155
a bill to change a portion of a State road in Sullivan county.....	153	153	153	242	254	270 290
a bill to pay road overseers in Laclede county.....	164	164	164	280	284	279 290
a bill to pay overseers of roads in Gentry county.....	164	164	164	242	254	270 290
a bill to view and mark out a State road in Mercer co.....	165	165	267	267	281	289 384

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<i>Roads, State and County, continued—</i>						
a bill to establish a State road from Milan, in Sullivan county, to Harmony, in Putnam county.....	167	167	167	242	254	269 289
a bill for a State road from Warrensburg to the Cave Spring, on the boundary line of Cass county.....	167	167	167	250	259	270 290
a bill to vacate a State road in the county of Dade....	167	167	167	258	266	270 290
a bill concerning roads in Randolph county.....	173	173	273			
a bill to repeal an act entitled, an act for opening and repairing roads and highways in the county of Andrew.....	173	173	173	250		290
a bill to amend an act entitled, an act to change a State road in the county of Lincoln, approved February 28th, 1851.....	173	173	173	217	226	242 251
a bill to change part of a State road leading from Moore's ferry, to Brunswick, in Chariton county....	211	211	211			
a bill to establish a State road from Fulton to Portland, in Callaway county.....	233	233	233	400	483	489 502
a bill to view and mark out a State road from Westport, in Jackson county, to the South-west corner of the State.....	234	234	234	400	431	443 456
a bill to provide for laying out and repairing roads and highways in the counties of Boone and Cole....	235	235	235	400	497	454
a bill to change a State road from Springfield to St. Louis.....	238	238	238	401		428
a bill to change a State road in Miller county.....	239	239	239	400	427	492 456
a bill to establish a State road from the Benton county line, to Warrensburg, in Johnson county.....	240	240	240	401	483	490 508
a bill to change a State road from Springfield to Buffalo.....	240	240	240	401	427	444 456
a bill to establish a State road from Greenville, in Wayne county, to Gillis' Bluff, on Black river, in Butler county.....	266	266	266	360	417	433 440
a bill declaring a certain county road in Harrison county a State road.....	267	267	267	360		376 381
a bill for opening and repairing public roads and highways in the counties of Lincoln, Randolph, Warren, Montgomery, Johnson, Bates, Andrew, Hickory, Taney, Boone, Cole, Moniteau, Osage and other counties.....	273	273	273	371	391	427 435
a bill to establish a State road in the counties of Lewis and Knox.....	275	275	275	360	390	427 434
a bill supplementary to an act to change a State road in Atchison county.....	462	462	462	475	499	501 497
a bill concerning roads and highways in the county of Jefferson.....	276	276	276	360	372	379 385
a bill to change a State road in Atchison county.....	279	279	279	372	386	393 404
a bill to declare a certain county road a State road....	282	282	282	372	384	393 403
a bill to vacate a certain State road in Jackson co....	285	285	285	372	386	393 416
a bill to change a State road.....	285	285	285	372		444 456
a bill to legalize a State road.....	288	288	288	400	417	433 440
a bill to establish a State road from Plattaburg to Atchison.....	293	293	314	362	386	393 416
a bill to mark and open a State road in Monroe co....	294	294	294			402
a bill to establish a State road from Orleans ferry to the Iowa line.....	294	294	294	371	392	427 434
a bill to establish a State road from the mouth of Linn to Houston.....	294	294	294	401	435	449 469
a bill to abolish a part of a State road from Huntsville, in Randolph county, to Glasgow, in Howard co.	298	298	298	375	402	427 434
a bill to amend an act to change a State road in Boone county.....	298	298	298	401	441	448 460

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<i>Roads, State and County, continued—</i>						
a bill to establish a State road from the town of Lura, in Clark county, to the Iowa line, in Scotland Co...	307	307	307	401	428	443 455
a bill to establish a State road in the county of Atchison.....	307	307	307	401		482 508
a bill amendatory of an act to establish a State road from Fredericktown, in the county of Madison, to Bloomfield, in the county of Stoddard.....	311	311	311		417	423 441
a bill concerning roads and highways in Franklin county.....	311	311	311	371	384	392 416
a bill to authorize the county court of Cole county to change a State road.....	317	317	317	368	428	444 455
a bill to view and mark out a State road from Milan to Chillicothe.....	317	317	317	369	389	384 408
a bill to change a State road in Ralls county.....	339	339	339	413	454	467 484
a bill to declare a certain county road a State road....	340	340	340	413	482	490 508
a bill to declare a certain county road a State road....	340	340	340	413	482	490 508
a bill to declare a county road a State road, in the county of Polk.....	356	356	356	414	432	444 455
a bill to exempt the counties of Mercer and Daviess from the operation of an act, approved March 8d, 1851, entitled an act to provide for and laying out roads and highways in the several counties of this State.....	378	378	378	414	441	448 468
a bill to locate a State road in Marion, Monroe and Ralls counties.....	373	373	373	414	492	496 499
a bill to establish a State road from Athens, in Gentry county, to Snell's Mills, in Harrison county.....	396	396	396	415	498	496 497
a bill to facilitate the opening of roads and highways...	397	397				
a bill to change a State road in Greene county.....					402	
a bill to change a State road in the county of Miller }	419	419	419	476	492	496 498
a bill for changing a State road in Moniteau county...	419	419	419	476	492	496 498
a bill to establish a State road in Buchanan county...	421	421	421	475	493	501 499
a bill to repeal an act to establish a State road in the counties of Marion and Shelby.....	421	421	467	421		
a bill to build a road from the town of Bloomfield to the town of Commerce.....	422	422	422	475	485	497 498
a bill to vacate a portion of a State road in Ralls county.....	424	424	424	476	492	496 498
a bill to change and vacate a State road.....	4				426	434
a bill to establish a State road from the town of Linn Creek, to the county seat of Vernon county.....	447	447	447	477	494	495 498
<i>STATE SCHOOL MONIES, LAWS AND LANDS:—</i>						
a bill in relation to the apportionment of State school moneys.....	44	44	47	47		
a bill to amend the school laws.....	47	47	849			
a bill to amend an act entitled, an act for the organization, support and government of common schools in the State of Missouri, approved February 24th, 1858.....	49	49	849			
a bill to legalize the sale of certain school lands in Warren county.....	55	55	55	74	80	97 89
a bill amendatory of an act entitled, an act to provide for the organization, support and government of common schools in the State of Missouri, approved February 24th, 1858.....	55	55	849			
a bill to transfer school money of fractional townships	55	55	849			
a bill to amend an act entitled, an act to provide for the organization, support and government of common schools in the State of Missouri, approved February 24th, 1858.....	61	61				

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a bill to amend an act entitled, an act to provide for the organization, support and government of common schools in the State of Missouri, approved February 24th, 1853.....	82	82	349			
a bill to suspend the distribution of the revenue of school moneys.....	167	167	167	287	293	309 335
a bill to pay school commissioners in Cooper county...	173	173	257	267	360	389 384 403
a bill to abolish the office of school commissioner in Warren county.....	211	211	349			
a bill to authorize the sale of certain school lands in Chariton county.....	278	278	278	372	386	393 416
a bill providing for a division of township school funds belonging to township 85, north, range 7, east.....	283	283	283	372	386	393 416
a bill to authorize the county of Shannon to organize the common schools in said county by municipal townships.....	284	284	284	371	386	393 415
a bill to amend an act to provide for the support, organization and government of common schools, in the State of Missouri.....	285	285	349			
a bill to amend the fifth section of the second article of an act to provide for the organization, support and government of common schools, in the State of Missouri.....	291	291	349			
a bill for the relief of certain school districts in Lafayette county.....	294	294	294	401	460	467 484
a bill to amend an act concerning the school moneys belonging to the county of Oregon.....	307	307	307	375		398 403
a bill to provide for the election of county school commissioners in the counties of Adair, Lewis and Franklin.....	320	320	320	369	428	444 455
a bill to repeal an act applying all fines to the support of common schools in this State, except the county of Pike.....						336
a bill to abolish the office of school commissioner in the county of Miller.....	337	337				
a bill to amend an act to provide for the organization, support and government of common schools, in the State of Missouri.....	350	405 408 350	404 413		477	
a bill to authorize the sale of certain school lands in Bates county.....	284	284	284	372		394 408
a bill providing for a division of township school funds belonging to township 85, north, range 6, east.....	424	424	424	475	483	490 502
a bill to authorize the county court of Clinton county to apportion certain school money.....	307	307	307	401	428	443 455
<i>TOWNS AND CITIES:—</i>						
a bill to repeal an act to incorporate the town of Union, in Franklin county, Missouri, approved February 16th, 1851.....	47	47	47	54	62	81 98
a bill to change the name of Newark, in the county of Andrew.....	50	50	50	59	70	81 98
a bill to amend an act entitled, an act to amend and reduce into one, the several acts incorporating the town of Louisiana, and to organize the same into a city, approved March 10th, 1849.....	163	163	267	267	361	392 427 485
a bill to amend an act incorporating the city of Independence.....	43	43	43	68	73	81 98
a bill to vacate alleys in the town of Kirksville, Mo.,...	163	163	163	250	259	270 291
a bill to extend the limits of the city of St. Louis, and for other purposes.....	167	167				
a bill to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the city of Glasgow, approved February 27th, 1845	174	174	247			

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<i>Towns and Cities continued—</i>						
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a bill to incorporate the town of Chillicothe.....	265		365	365	371	402 433 441
a bill to incorporate the town of Neosho.....	284		284	284	372	386 394 403
a bill to change the name of the town of Centerville, in Macon county, to Woodville.....	288		288	288	342	355 363
a bill to quiet titles in the city of Weston.....	294		294	294	400	454 467 484
a bill to incorporate the town of Fillmore.....	267		267	267	360	389 394 403
a bill to declare certain parts of the public square in Bloomington, Macon county, added to the alleys as a public highway.....	295		295	295	401	441 448 460
a bill to extend the corporate limits of the town of Columbia.....	298		298	298	375	402 427 434
a bill to amend the city charter of St. Louis.....	307	307	407	419	476	482 490 508
a bill to amend the charter of the city of St. Louis.....	337	337	407			
a bill to amend the charter of the city of LaGrange.....	339		339	339	413	454 466 484
a bill to legalize the sale of lots in the town of Bloomfield, in Stoddard county.....	378		378	378	414	441 448 469
a bill to incorporate the town of Danville.....	286		286	286	372	427 444 455
a bill supplementary to the several acts to incorporate the city of St. Louis.....	373		373	373	473	493 501 497
a bill to provide for the reduction of the city debt of the city of St. Louis.....	307		307	307	476	482 490 502
a bill to amend an act to change the name of the town of Bloomington, in Buchanan county, to that of DeKalb, and to incorporate the same.....	339		339	339	414	492 496 496
a bill to incorporate the town of Gallatin.....	298		298	298	375	402 427 434
a bill to vacate certain streets in the town of Athens.....	390		390	390	414	466 467 485
a bill supplementary and amendatory of an act to incorporate the city of Boonville.....	396		396	396	415	492 496 499
a bill to preserve town plats in Clark county.....	419		419	419	476	492 495 498
a bill relating to the town of Middle Grove, in Monroe county.....	421		421	421	475	483 490 508
a bill to vacate a part of First Main street in Fayette, Mo.....	422		422	422	475	485 497 497
a bill amendatory of an act to incorporate Roanoke.....	422		422	422	475	485 497 497
a bill to incorporate the town of Augusta.....	319		319	319	368	400 467 484
a bill supplementary to an act to incorporate the city of Savannah, approved February 24th, 1858.....	422		422	422	475	485 496 496
a bill to amend the act to amend and reduce into one, the several acts for incorporating the city of Cape Girardeau, approved February 24th, 1858.....	424		424			
a bill for the improvement of Main street in the City of Jefferson.....	424		424			
a bill to incorporate the town of DeSoto.....	374		374	374	379	458 462 501
a bill to legalize the sales of certain town lots in the town of Osark.....	424		424	424	468	498 496 499
a bill to incorporate the town of New Market.....	279		279	279	372	386 393 403
a bill to incorporate the city of Parkville.....	388		388	388	414	469 478 501
a bill to incorporate the town of Belmonte.....	397		397	397	415	493 600 499
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<i>Miscellaneous continued—</i>						
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a bill to amend the law for levying and collecting the revenue	46					
a bill authorizing Wm. Took and James Duncan to erect a dam across Nodaway river, in Andrew and Holt counties.....	47	47	47	54	62	81 98
a bill to repeal so much of an act entitled, an act to facilitate the improvement of the navigation of White river as relates to Green county, approved, March 3d, 1851.....	49	49	49	60	70	81 98
a bill to amend and regulate conveyances.....	49	49				
a bill amendatory to an act assessing and collecting State and county revenue.....	49	49				
a bill concerning free negroes and mulattoes.....	51	51				
a bill amendatory of an act concerning guardians, curators and minors, approved March 3d, 1845.....	51	51	168			
a bill to authorize J. R. Allen & Co., to erect a dam across Tarkio river.....	54	54	54	68	73	81 98
a bill establishing limited partnerships.....	55	55	446	446	475	482 490 508
a bill to perfect the record of land titles executed by executors, guardians, curators, administrators and other persons, in pursuance of an order, judgment or decree of the Macon Probate court.....	55	55				
a bill to amend the 25th section of an act entitled, an act to regulate fees, approved March 27th, 1845.....	61	61				
a bill to authorize Nathan and Philander Johnson to erect a dam across Big Tarkio river.....	67	67	67	258	280	286 304
a bill to authorize Isaac Grey to keep a ferry across the Des Moines river, at the town of Athens, in the county of Clarke.....	67	67	175	175	240	455 467 494
a bill for the improvement of the navigation of the Osage river.....	81	208 217	218	250	268	267 291
a bill to amend an act concerning ferries.....	81	81	81	426	460	467 484
a bill to repeal the thirty-eighth section of the second article of the law upon crimes and their punishment.....	82	82				
a bill for the government of the State Lunatic Asylum, and the care of the insane.....	101	266 456	456	468	493	509 496
a bill giving further time to collectors of the revenue for returning delinquent list for 1854.....	134	134	134	166	171	191 196
a bill to authorize and encourage the establishment of agricultural societies in the several counties in this State, and to regulate the same.....	134	134	271			
a bill to protect slave property in Missouri.....	155	155	280			
a bill to amend an act to regulate fees.....	163	163	187			
a bill to pay witnesses subpoenaed before grand juries.....	164	164	247			
a bill to reduce the rate of taxation.....	166	166				
a bill to protect mechanics and others.....	166	166				
a bill in behalf of aliens and devisees.....	167	167	167	34	342	355 368
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a bill specifying the duties of county surveyors	174	174	280			
a bill granting to the New York Law Institute the statutes and public acts of this State	186	186	186	259	259	259
a bill to amend an act regulating marriages, approved Feb. 20th, 1845	206	206	247			
a bill to establish a ferry at Point Pleasant	210	210	210	250	259	270
a bill amendatory of an act to provide for levying, assessing and collecting the revenue, approved March 27th, 1845	222	222				
a bill supplementary of an act to prevent illegal banking and the circulation of depreciated paper currency within the limits of the State	236	236	264			
a bill to authorize the erection of a toll-bridge across the Chariton river, at the town of Nineveh, in Adair county	236	236	236	406	442	448
a bill to amend an act to provide for a Geological and Mineralogical survey of the State	237	237	237	250	266	267
a bill regulating the liabilities of Inn-keepers	238	238				
a bill respecting vagrant and destitute children in St. Louis	238	238	280			
a bill amendatory of an act regulating ferries, approved Jan. 27th, 1845	239	239				
a bill to authorize Joseph Swanson to keep a dram-shop without license	239	239				
a bill providing for the improvement of Current river	240	240	271	272	360	372
a bill to amend an act to regulate executions, approved March 26th, 1845	240	240	269	372	379	385
a bill to provide for the sale of the Tobacco Warehouse	240	240				
a bill amendatory of an act regulating conveyances	240	240				
a bill to amend an act entitled, an act to amend an act concerning perpetuating testimony	241	241				
a bill for the enlargement of the Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb	243	804	811	311	362	386
a bill appropriating money for the support and enlargement of the State Lunatic Asylum	243	243	302	302	401	449
a bill to amend an act to apportion representation, approved Feb. 24th, 1845	247	247	248		275	
a bill concerning the transportation of slaves by railroad companies	256	256	256	371	386	393
a bill to amend an act concerning costs in criminal cases	261	261				
a bill concerning practice and proceedings in criminal cases	261	261				
a bill amendatory of an act to license and tax pedlars	261	261				
a bill to establish a House of Refuge in St. Louis county	262	262	280	280	371	384
a bill creating the office of Assistant Circuit Attorney in St. Louis	276	376	422	422	466	486
a bill to prohibit dram-shop licenses unless a majority of tax-payers petition, and the applicant to make an oath not to sell to slaves without consent of owner	276	276				
a bill to amend an act respecting executors and administrators, approved Jan. 27th, 1845	276	276	280			
a bill to amend an act to regulate fees, approved March 27th, 1845	276	276				
a bill to prevent and punish fraud in the use of stamps and labels	277	277				
a bill to regulate fees	277	277				

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a bill to amend an act regulating fees.....	285	285	285			
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a bill to extend the jurisdiction of justices of the peace and constables.....	289	289				
a bill to amend an act concerning forcible entries and detainer, approved March 27th, 1845.....	293	293				
a bill concerning evidence.....	294	294	294	401	427	444 456
a bill to amend an act to licence and tax peddlers, approved March 5th, 1845.....	295	295				
a bill to authorize foreign executors, administrators and guardians, to bring suits in the courts of this State	295	295				
a bill to amend chapter 180, Revised Statutes, entitled, Trespass.....	295	295				
a bill concerning costs in the case of the State vs. Grant	298	298	298	375	402	427 484
a bill declaring the punishment of slaves, free negroes and mulattoes.....	298	298	298			
a bill respecting the mode of petitioning the legislature in certain cases.....	298	298				
a bill to renew, amend and extend the charter of the Bank of the State of Missouri.....	302	302	314			
a bill in relation to attachments.....	305	305				
a bill to restrain dram-shops, and to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors.....	305	305				
a bill amendatory of an act respecting executors and administrators, approved March 26th, 1845.....	307	307	307			
a bill to amend an act to regulate fees.....	307	307	307			
a bill to repeal seventh section of an act to establish and regulate county treasurers, approved March 27, 1845	308	308				
a bill with reference to taxes.....	313	313				
a bill to amend the law of attachment, approved March 14th, 1845.....	313	313				
a bill to amend an act to sustain the credit of the State, and, also, to reduce the taxes therein.....	313	313				
a bill to amend an act to regulate proceedings in criminal cases, approved March 25th, 1845.....	314	314	314	362		
a bill to prohibit the sale of spirituous liquors in } Central Township, Jefferson county..... }	315	315	315	425	462	490 500
a bill to change law in civil cases, respecting affidavits	315	315				
a bill for the regulation and management of the State } Library..... }	315	315	460	468	494	500 499
a bill to authorize Joseph Leedam, Thomas McGoddrick and George Leedam to erect a mill-dam across the Chariton river, in Schuyler county.....	317	317	317	368	428	444 455
a bill to authorize Bannister F. Unsil to keep a ferry.	317	317	317	368	389	394 403
a bill to pay the Missouri Volunteers in the company commanded by Capt. Moses H. Simonds, 1847.....	318	318				
a bill to prevent frauds and perjuries.....	319	319				
a bill concerning State University.....	320	320				
a bill to establish a ferry across Little River, in Dunklin county.....	320	320	320	369		
a bill to provide for the improvement of Gasconade river	323	323				
a bill to authorize the release of one or more joint, or several debtors.....	336	336				
a bill to amend an act to provide for assessing and collecting the revenue.....	336	336				
a bill amendatory of an act concerning dower, approved March 24th, 1845.....	336	336	445			
a bill to amend an act concerning dower, approved March 24th, 1845.....	337	337				
a bill to prevent ardent spirits from being sold within three miles of railroad lines.....	337	337				

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<i>Miscellaneous continued—</i>						
a bill amendatory of an act respecting wills, approved March 10th, 1845.....	337	337				
a bill to amend an act to provide for the recovery of debts by attachment.....	338	338				
a bill to amend the 48th chapter of Revised Statutes.....	338	338				
a bill to amend an act to regulate practice at law.....	338	338				
a bill to amend the attachment act of Revised Statutes, 1845.....	338	338				
a bill amendatory of an act respecting executors and administrators, approved March 20th, 1845.....	339	339	339	414 454	466 484	
a bill to appropriate money.....	339	339	339	412 436	444 456	
a bill to pay the factor of the Penitentiary for materials and work done on public grounds.....	339	339	339	371 386	393 403	
a bill amendatory to all acts in relation to St. Genevieve Big Field.....	340	340	340	402 492	496 498	
a bill to authorize Margaretta Scott to keep a ferry across the Missouri river, in Atchison county.....	340	340	340	413 482	490 503	
a bill to authorize Green B. Griffith to keep a ferry... 340	340	340	340	402 493	496 498	
a bill amendatory of an act to charter the Bank of the State of Missouri, approved Feb. 2d, 1837.....	348	348				
a bill instructing the Commissioner of P. S. G.	350	350				
a bill to establish a steam-ferry at Jefferson City.....	354	354	354	354 369 389	394 403	
a bill to release escheated property	373	373	373	425 460	467 484	
a bill increasing the salaries of circuit attorneys.....	374	374				
a bill to repeal and to amend an act, entitled an act concerning strays, approved March 3d, 1851; and an act amendatory thereof, approved Feb. 22d, '53. 374	374	374				
a bill granting the exclusive privilege of keeping a ferry				389	394 403	
a bill to pay the funeral expenses of W. J. McMurtrey, deceased.....	404	404	404	407	433 441	
a bill concerning billiard tables	417					
a bill enabling the United States Express Company to bring action and suit at law, in this State, in the name of the directors of said company	419	419	419	475 482	490 502	
a bill concerning clerks and sheriffs' fees.....	419	419	419	476 482	490 503	
a bill to revive an act to authorize Isaac R. Campbell to keep a ferry across the Des Moines river, at the town of Lancaster, in Clarke county.....	419	419	419	476 492	496 498	
a bill concerning voluntary assignments	420	420	420			
a bill to suppress trade and barter with slaves.....	420	420	420	487		
a bill to prevent riot and breaches of the peace.....	420	420	420	477 487	493 501 497	
a bill specifying the duties of county surveyors.....	421	421	421	476 493	500 499	
a bill to amend an act regulating clerks	421	421	421	475 483	490 503	
a bill amendatory of an act to provide for levying, assessing and collecting the revenue, approved March 27th, 1845.....	424	481 450 424	450 428	452 483 493	496 497	
a bill concerning slaves, amendatory of an act, approved March 27th, 1845	424	424	424			
a bill regulating money.....					426	
a bill to authorize guardian of heirs of J. C. Dameron to sell real estate.....					427 434 484	
a bill to provide for printing report of State Geologist	428					
a bill to increase the pay of assessors.....	428	428				
a bill concerning evidences.....	446	446				
a bill to prohibit dram-shop license, unless a majority of tax payers petition.....	447	451 452 447	450			
a bill for the support of Government for the years 1855 and 1856.....	456	456	457 457	468 493	501 499	
a bill to amend an act to provide for the management of Penitentiary.....	424	424	424	476 482	490 503	

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CORPORATIONS —					
a bill to incorporate Palmyra Female Seminary.....	41	188	188	188	
a bill to incorporate the Springfield Female College.....	54	188	188	188	216
a bill to incorporate Belcher's Sugar Refinery.....	57	170	170	171	
a bill to incorporate American Insurance Company.....	74	188	188	360	360 864 482
a bill to incorporate the Fredericktown and Pilot Knob Gravel Road Company.....	74	187	187	187	216
a bill to amend an act, entitled an act incorporating the Mammoth Mining Company.....	172	187	187	187	191
a bill to charter the New Madrid and West Prairie Road Company.....	172	193	193	198	250
a bill to incorporate Weston Lodge, No. 40, of the Independent Order of Good Templars.....	172	194	194	194	216
a bill to incorporate the Point Pleasant and Dunklin County Road Company.....	180	194	320		
a bill to incorporate the St. Louis Gymnastic Society.....	193	344	344	344	380
a bill to incorporate the Institution of Civil Engineers, at St. Louis.....	205	344	344	344	362
a bill to incorporate the Natural Bridge Cemetery of St. Louis.....	205	205	205	205	228
a bill to incorporate the City University of St. Louis.....	217	344	344	344	425 448
a bill to incorporate the Marine Railway and Dock Co.....	228	354	354	354	899
a bill to confirm the incorporation of the Cairo and Fulton Railroad Company of Missouri, and to apply to the construction of the same the grant of land made to this State by the Congress of the United States, and to accept said grant of land.....	241	316	316	316	345
a bill amendatory of an act to incorporate the Howard County Mutual Insurance Company.....	258	354	354	354	380
a bill to incorporate the Dime Savings Institution of St. Louis.....	258	354	354	354	399 425
a bill to incorporate the St. Charles Ferry Company.....	258	320	320	360	360 380
a bill to incorporate the Franklin Insurance Company.....	286	366	366	366	409
a bill to incorporate the Jackson Seminary.....	286	364	354		
a bill to incorporate the St. Louis Medical College.....	286	344	344	344	362
a bill to amend the charter of the Globe Mutual Insurance Company.....	286	356	356	356	399
a bill to incorporate a ferry in Platte county.....	286	358	358	358	426 461
a bill to incorporate the Engineers' Union Fire and Marine Insurance Company of St. Louis.....	286	364	364	364	400
a bill to incorporate the Dime Savings Institution of St. Charles.....	286	364	364	364	478
a bill to incorporate the Boatmen's Insurance Company.....	286	354	354	354	400
a bill amendatory of an act to incorporate the Merchants' Mutual Insurance Company, approved Feb. 24th, 1851.....	286	358	358	358	380
a bill to charter the Des Peres Institute, in St. Louis co.....	286	357	357		
a bill to incorporate the Missouri Wine Company.....	286	356	356	356	399
a bill to incorporate the Commercial Insurance Co.....	287	364	364	364	432
a bill to amend an act to incorporate the Mechanics' Savings Institution of St. Louis, approved Feb. 24th, '58.....	287	363	363	363	399
a bill to incorporate the town of Union, in Franklin co.....	287	358	358	358	380
a bill to incorporate Florence Lodge, No. 1, of the Society of Workers.....	308	366	366	366	399
a bill to incorporate the North Grand River Railroad.....	308	364	364	364	467
a bill to incorporate the Union Locomotive and Mechanics' Shop Company.....	309	366	366	366	399

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<i>Corporations continued—</i>					
a bill to incorporate the town of Mexico, in Audrain co....	810	868	868	868	489
a bill to incorporate the Richmond Female College.....	810	868	868	868	489
a bill to incorporate the stockholders of Carroll Academy	810	868	868	868	443
a bill to incorporate Howard Lodge, No. 4, of Free and Accepted Masons	810	868	868	868	443
a bill to incorporate the Boonslick Hotel Company of the town of Columbia.....	810	864	864	864	489
a bill to incorporate the Lexington and Utica Railroad...	810	866	866	866	478
a bill to charter a ferry company.....	810	846	846	461	
a bill to incorporate the Berlin Bagging and Rope Manufacturing Company.....	810	868	868	868	478
a bill to incorporate the Parkville Insurance Company....	810	866	866	866	489
a bill to incorporate Washington College.....	810	868	868	868	400
a bill to incorporate the LaGrange Savings Institution } of Lewis county.....	810	868	868	868	478 426
a bill to incorporate a ferry in Buchanan county.....	811	867	867		
a bill to incorporate the Citizens' Mutual Savings Institution and Loan Company of St. Louis.....	811	866	866	866	399
a bill to incorporate Warren Lodge, No. 74, of Free and Accepted Masons.....	811	868	868	868	488
a bill to incorporate the St. Louis Cotton Factory.....	811	866	866	866	399
a bill to incorporate the Ste. Genevieve and Current River Railroad.....	816	881	881		
a bill to incorporate the Randolph county Mutual Fire Insurance Company.....	841	868	868	868	461
a bill to incorporate the North Missouri Hotel Company of St. Charles.....	841	854	854	854	399
a bill to incorporate the St. Louis and Perry County Iron Mining Company.....	841	868	868	868	400
a bill to incorporate Woods' Academy, in the city of Louisiana	841	868	868	868	443
a bill to incorporate the Merchants and Manufacturers' Savings Institution	841	868	868	868	426 461
a bill to incorporate the St. Louis Rolling Mill.....	841	868	868	868	443
a bill to incorporate Prairie Point Academy of Platte co..	841	869	869	881	425 461
a bill to incorporate Central Cemetery Association of St. Louis	841	869	869	869	482
a bill to amend an act to establish Lebanon Academy.....	845	870	870	870	443
a bill to incorporate the Caledonia Steam-mill Company..	260	348	348	348	380
a bill to incorporate the town of Frémont, in Cedar co...	224	354	354	354	380
a bill to incorporate the "Hope Company"	856	869	869	869	443
a bill to incorporate the Aetna Insurance Company.....	856	878	878	878	432
a bill to incorporate the St. Louis Savings Institution....	884	890	890	890	443
a bill amendatory of an act to incorporate the Camden Point Female Academy.....	884	888	888		
a bill to incorporate the Quincy Bridge Company.....	895	486	486		
a bill to incorporate the Great Western Fire and Marine Mutual Insurance Company of St. Louis.....	895	486	486	486	499
a bill to incorporate the Allen Iron Company.....	895	486	486	486	
a bill to incorporate the Mound City Mutual Insurance Company of St. Louis.....	895	486	486	486	500
<i>CORPORATIONS—</i>					
a bill to incorporate Carthage Female Academy.....	895	423	423	423	461
a bill to incorporate the Weston Savings Institution.....	895				
a bill to incorporate the Great Republic Insurance Company of St. Louis.....	895	486	486	486	500
a bill to incorporate the LaCade Railroad Company.....	896	486	486		
a bill to incorporate Cooper Lodge, No. 86, of Free and Accepted Masons, at Boonville, in Cooper county.....	896	486	486	486	500
a bill to incorporate the Empire Bagging, Rope and Twine Manufactory.....	896				

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Corporations continued —					
a bill supplementary of an act to incorporate the Wesleyan Cemetery Association, approved February 28th, 1851.....	426	480	480	480	499
a bill to incorporate Liberty Female College.....	426	465	465	465	489
a bill to incorporate the Hope Mining Company.....	426				
a bill to incorporate the Hannibal Insurance Company....	453	498	498	498	
a bill to incorporate the Missouri Reliance Insurance Company.....	454				
a bill to incorporate the Cass county Agricultural and Mechanical Association.....	810	814	814	814	489
a bill to incorporate the Roxier and Birch Mining and Smelting Company.....	491				
a bill to incorporate Charles Stewart's Normal and Mathematical Institute of St. Louis, Missouri.....	491				
a bill to incorporate the Vallé and Roxier Mining and Smelting Company.....	491				
a bill to incorporate the Lafayette Branch of the Pacific Railroad	495				
Courts: —					
a bill concerning the records of the circuit court of Butler county.....	129	190	190	190	216
a bill to amend an act entitled, an act to establish a court of common pleas in the city of Hannibal, approved March 27th, 1845, and to amend an act to incorporate the city of Hannibal, approved February 21st, 1845....	201	349	349	349	
a bill regulating the time of holding circuit court in Greene county.....	205	210	210	210	224 228
a bill concerning the county court of Washington county.	228	353	353	353	356
a bill increasing the fees of justices of the county courts of Jefferson county.....	228	354	354	354	380
a bill regulating the time of holding certain courts in the county of St. Louis, and for other purposes.....	228	354	354	354	399
a bill to amend an act to establish a probate court in the city of Hannibal.....	258	354	354	354	380
a bill to establish a probate court in the county of Scott..	286	338	338	338	380
a bill to authorize county courts to invest township school funds	286	357	357		
a bill concerning the clerks of the county courts of Crawford county.....	287	358	358	358	426 461
a bill directing in what manner and in what court the State may be sued.....	287	359	359		
a bill to ordain and establish a county court district.....	287	364	364	364	384 432
a bill to repeal a portion of an act in relation to repeals and writs of error, from certain judicial circuits in the State of Missouri, approved March 12th, 1849.....	309	385	385	385	482
a bill to change the time of holding courts in the county of Livingston.....	341	363	363	363	443
a bill to regulate fees of clerks of county courts in certain cases.....	341	367	367		
a bill to authorize the county court of Scotland county to borrow money for certain purposes.....	342	367	367	367	443
a bill in relation to the Marshal of the Supreme Court...	395	485	485	485	
a bill to authorize county courts to alter or abolish State roads under certain circumstances.....	395	480	480	480	500
a bill to change the time of holding courts in the third judicial circuit.....	396	423	423	423	461
a bill to establish the fifteenth judicial circuit, and for other purposes.....	442	464	464	464	467 478
a bill to fix the time of holding circuit courts in the first judicial circuit.....	491	485	485	485	500
a bill to amend an act prescribing the time and place of holding the supreme court, approved March 23d, 1845,					500

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COUNTIES:—					
a bill to authorize the county of St. Charles to borrow money.....	85	36	36	36	
a bill confirming the organization of Dent county.....	142	152	165	165	
a bill touching the indebtedness of Vernon county.....	165	192	192	192	216
a bill to change the name of the county seat of Putnam county from Harmony to Unionville.....	165	190	190	190	216
a bill to establish and define the boundaries of Wright and Greene counties.....	201	344	344	344	339
a bill concerning the treasurer and public administrator of Washington county.....	228	364	364	478	478
a bill to supply the county of Gasconade with books.....	810	365	365	365	443
a bill supplementary to an act touching the indebtedness of Vernon county.....	259	342	342	342	345
a bill attaching a part of Cass to Bates county.....	341				
a bill to furnish Wayne county certain books.....	341	367	367	367	432
a bill to authorize St. Louis county to levy a special tax.	356	367	367	367	369
a bill to organize Webster county.....	396	458	458	464	478
a bill to alter the line dividing the counties of Dade and Jasper.....	396	428	428	428	
a bill to pay road overseers in the county of DeKalb.....	462	479	479	479	500
a bill concerning the road and canal fund of Cole county.....	477	486	486		
a bill in relation to witnesses' fees in St. Louis county....	483	485	485	485	500
a bill to make county school commissioner of Harrison county elective.....	375	389	389	389	420
a bill to reduce the compensation of the collector of the revenue of St. Louis.....	129	353	353	353	380
a bill in relation to witnesses' fees in St. Louis county....	319	364	364		
a bill better to provide for the support of the poor in St. Louis county.....	341	367	367	367	433
a bill for the sale of certain real estate in Stone county....	341	369	369	369	443
a bill providing for compensation of assessors in Buchanan county.....	341	366	366		
a bill concerning billiard tables in Ste. Genevieve and St. François.....	342	367	367	380	380
a bill concerning the public administrator of Saline county	395	485	485	485	500
a bill to provide for the payment of the State judicial salaries in St. Louis county.....	395	486	486	486	500
a bill to pay costs in Platte county.....	396	479	479	486	
a bill to pay witnesses before grand juries in the counties of Harrison, DeKalb and Davies.....	396	486	486	486	500
a bill about the jailor in St. Louis county.....	478		493		501
a bill to restrict dram-shops in the county of Madison ...	491	486	486	486	500
a bill to authorize the erection of a Lunatic Asylum in the county of St. Louis.....	489				
a bill to authorize the erection of weighing scales on the Gravois road, in the county of St. Louis.....	59	188	182	280	
a bill to amend an act respecting the assessor of St. Louis county.....	464				
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a bill to repeal an act entitled, an act to provide for the election of road overseers in the county of Shelby.....	87	188	188	188	216
a bill to legalize the election of clerk in Putnam county..	172	192	192	192	216
a bill to establish an election precinct in Platte county....	180	188	188	188	216
a bill to district the county of Marion for the election of county judges.....	224	353	353	353	379
a bill changing the manner of voting in this State.....	356				
a bill regulating qualification to vote.....	395				
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a bill to provide for pay of petit jurors in Lawrence co....	201	344	344	344	362

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<i>Jurors continued—</i>					
a bill to regulate and pay grand and petit jurors in Franklin county.....	224	340	340	340	380
a bill to pay petit jurors in Shelby county.....	287	356	356	356	380
a bill to pay jurors in Cole county.....	310	365	365	365	443
a bill concerning jurors in St. Louis county.....	477	492	493	493 494	500 499
LANDS:—					
a bill amendatory of an act donating swamp lands to the several counties in which they lie.....	54	98	98	98	166
a bill to dispose of wet and swamp lands.....	241	354	354		
a bill to authorize the county court of Laclede county to sell wet and swamp lands.....	305	320	320	320	362
a bill to authorize the guardian of Oscar L. Peak to sell certain lands in Howard county, and for other purposes..	341	368	368	368	433
a bill to provide for recording land patents.....	384	388	388	388	433
a bill concerning title to State lands.....	396	480	480	480	500
a bill to authorize William W. Moseley to dispose of certain lands for the benefit of John W. Hendly and others, minors.....	462	479	479	479	500
RELIEF:—					
a bill for the relief of Mary Gay Gentry, of Platte Co....	37	187	187	187	216
a bill for the relief of certain purchasers of school lands...	59	188	194	194	216
a bill declaring James L. D. Blevins capable of contracting	129	135	135	135	166
a bill for the relief of Frederick Miller and Thomas McCarthy.....	142	152	165	154	
a bill for the relief of Allen Crook, late sheriff of Andrew county.....	152	172	172	172	216
a bill for the relief of Green B. Wade, former collector of Franklin county.....	165	188	188	188	216
a bill for the relief of Robert M. Craig, of Johnson co..	165	192	192	192	216
a bill for the benefit of David B. Brewen, late collector of Madison county.....	172	192	192	192	216
a bill to change the name of Emily F. Kelly.....	205	244	244	244	362
a bill for the relief of Owen Rawlins and Allen Hamer...	205	244	244	244	362
a bill for the relief of James McCullough, former collector of Jefferson county.....	217	353	353	353	432
a bill to declare James M. Nelson of age.....	217	353	353	353	380
a bill for the relief of William Clawfield, deceased.....	221	353	353	353	380
a bill for the benefit of Rosetta Emaline Grammar.....	224	315	316	315	345
a bill for the benefit of the Pacific and other railroads. }	227	227	244 245	246 250	255 252
a bill for the relief of the heirs of Daniel Davies, late of St. Louis county.....	228	353	353	353	380
a bill to declare Wesley Massey of age.....	228	353	353	353	432
a bill for the relief of Fielding S. Helm.....	228	353	353	353	432
a bill for the relief of Frederick Miller and Thomas McCarthy.....	228	353	353	353	380
a bill for the relief of Robert Taylor.....	259	337	337	337	362
a bill for the relief of Fielding Burns.....	278	354	354	354	432
a bill for the benefit of Charles J. Drury, of Montgomery county.....	278	354	354	354	380
a bill for the relief of G. M. Taylor and others.....	287	358	358	358	432
a bill for the relief of G. W. Kelley.....	287	356	356	356	380
a bill for the relief of Henry C. Wellman and Wm. O. Young.....	287	356	356	356	443
a bill for the relief of Frederick Bolte.....	287	363	363	363	399
a bill for the relief of Cedar county.....	310	365	365	365	443
a bill for relief of William Morgan, collector of Cape Girardeau county.....	310	365	365	365	432
a bill to change the name of D. K. Campbell to G. A. McFadden.....	310	365	365	365	433

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<i>Relief continued —</i>					
a bill to change the name of J. W. Sheekels to J. W. Patterson.....	310	344	344 344		362
a bill to authorize Wm. Kirkpatrick, of the county of Johnson, to administer on the estate of Kirkpatrick & McCormack.....	341	363	363 363		433
a bill concerning the estate of James Oliver, deceased.....	458	493	493 493		
a bill for the relief of James F. Scruggs, of Bates county, Missouri.....	310	365	365 365		443
a bill for the relief of Francis Tucker, of Platte county....	310	365	365 365		432
a bill to change the name of Elizabeth Nabring.....	310	363	363 363		442
a bill for the relief of Thomas E. Thompson, clerk of the circuit court of Marion county.....	310	363	363 363		443
a bill for the relief of Thomas Van Swearingen, late judge of the court of common pleas, in the city of Hannibal....	310	363	363 363		432
a bill for the relief of the heirs of Wiley Dumm, deceased.....	310	363	363 363		443
a bill for the benefit of Masonic College.....	322	366	366 366		399
a bill for the relief of Jubal Hunt and others.....	322	365	365 365		442
a bill for the relief of Robert C. Williams and Andrew Lookridge, of Daviess county, Missouri.....	341	367	367 367		442
a bill for the relief of the citizens of Lawrence county.....	341	367	367		
a bill to change the name of Eliot Seminary.....	341	367	367 367		432
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